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Carmel Abuzz over Mysterious Zoning Survey

READY, SET, GO! Children race from the starting line in search of treasures Sunday during the traditional Easter egg hunt sponsored by the Carmel Valley Volunteer Fire Department. Scores of youngsters took part, with those lucky enough to find special gold eggs winning a shiny new dollar. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

By Isabelle Hall

The telephone lines were buzzing in Carmel on the weekend over calls from a polling company to set up small focus groups on the highly charged commercial zoning ordinance that is on the ballot June 8.

Communication Technologies of San Francisco planned to hold the focus groups today at Mission Inn at Rio Road and Highway 1 at 4 or 6 p.m. for six to eight persons who agreed to attend to discuss the zoning ordinance, according to people who were called. The participants, who were not identified, were offered $35 each to take part.

Focus groups are typically used by large corporations and others to determine reaction to either new products or issues like health care. During presidential campaigns, the television networks use focus groups to get a feel for various candidates and issues. The sophisticated method of determining public opinion surprised some Carmelites, particularly the offer of $35 for their time, according to some sources.

Jeff Call, who said he answered media calls for Communications Technology, told the *Sun* his firm was an independent research group. "We're not told who the client is. We don't want to know."

Call did confirm that his client was Selden Associates which also operates in the Bay area, but said he did not know who had hired Selden. Asked what he charged to put together a focus group, Call said, "It all depends on what kind of information you want and how many people are involved. You could have one or 20 people. It would range from $750 up." He declined to say what the top range would be beyond agreeing that it could cost several thousand dollars.

Call said potential attendees were telephoned at random. He said he had never known of a focus group that permitted anyone not involved to attend when the *Sun* asked if a reporter could cover the event.

Spokespersons for all the various groups in town denied any knowledge of the poll. Alan Williams of Carmel Citizens for Good Government, whose membership includes former Mayor Clint Eastwood, said, "It wasn't us." When he ran for mayor in 1986, Eastwood did use polls. The city was polled again before the city council election a year ago, but unlike the specific zoning

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Farr, McCampbell Win Right to Vie for Panetta's Seat

Assemblyman Sam Farr of Carmel and attorney Bill McCampbell of Pebble Beach, benefitting from name recognition in an overgrown field of 26 candidates, won the right to vie June 8 for Leon Panetta's vacated House seat.

Farr, 51, won the Democratic nomination by outdistancing political newcomer Bill Monning, a Salinas attorney, and Monterey County Supervisor Barbara Shipnuck. Final but unofficial totals from the district covering Monterey, San Benito and part of Santa Cruz counties showed Farr with 22,628 votes, Monning with 16,274 and Shipnuck with 12,605.

On the GOP side, McCampbell won with 10,593 votes to 9,034 for Jess Brown, and 4,940 for Bob Ernst. Brown, director of the Santa Cruz County Farm Bureau, was making his first bid for public office, as was Ernst, a lawyer who practices in Salinas.

Farr and McCampbell will be joined by five minor-party and independent candidates who also qualified for the runoff despite getting only just a few hundred votes each in Tuesday's special 17th Congressional district race.

As he was in the primary, Farr would have to be installed as the early favorite for the runoff. In Tuesday's vote, almost twice as many Democratic votes were cast as Republican ones, 56,996 to 29,841.

As a state assemblyman for 13 years, Farr's name is well know on the Central Coast. Before being elected to the state legislature, he served as a Monterey County supervisor and his father, Fred, is a former state senator.

McCampbell, 48, worked hard in the campaign to establish name recognition after losing to Panetta in November when the Carmel Valley Democrat won his ninth House term. He subsequently resigned to become budget director in the Clinton Administration.

"It takes a long time to establish name recognition," said McCampbell, who carried a can of Campbell's Tomato Soup in his briefcase during the special election campaign to try to impress his name on voters' minds.

Tuesday's turnout was light, just 31 percent of the district's registered voters. Farr won with 22 percent in Monterey, 14.9 in San Benito and 33.5 in Santa Cruz. McCampbell had 14.6 percent in Monterey, 9.1 in San Benito and 8 in Santa Cruz.

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Legals-Only Pledge Fails to Defuse Center Opposition

By Stan Hall

Backers of a proposed job referral center for Hispanic day laborers in Carmel Valley Village agreed Friday it should serve only documented aliens, but sentiment at a town hall meeting still seemed against the plan.

Opponents of the proposed center said it likely would attract more men seeking work, and there was no assurance that some laborers would not continue to wait on the streets near Kasey's Convenience Store if a center only placed legal workers.

After an hour and 40 minutes, chairman Randy Randazzo ended the meeting, the second to be held on the issue, by announcing he would schedule a third meeting around the end of the month.

He took his cue from Bud Hobbs, a Salinas Valley grower who lives in the Village. Attending both a meeting of the organizing committee and then the town hall, Hobbs took a leading role in the deliberations at both meetings.

He appeared at a meeting of the committee, formed with the encouragement of former Rep. Leon Panetta, with booklets outlining the legal requirements for employers and what he said was 40 years experience in hiring workers.

At the town hall, he praised the committee's efforts to try to find a solution to problems created by the massing of so many men and their lack of ready toilet facilities. But he added: "The committee can't come in here and hand the community a solution. That has to be reached through consensus. I believe we should have another meeting in two or three weeks, but allow people to come in with suggestions. But don't do it on Good Friday..."

The turnout, estimated at 40 people at the most, was smaller than the initial town hall meeting Feb. 17. The tone was more conciliatory among both opponents and supporters of the plan, although a number of people from outside Carmel Valley again showed up to object not only to the center but to U. S. immigration policies.

The only exception to the more conciliatory tone was an angry outburst by Mark Enyati, a business owner on DelFino Place who told Randazzo: "You guys are running me out of business. It's been three years, and you haven't done anything" about the laborers.

"I don't know how you guys got elected to sit over there," he said to members of the committee sitting at a table in front of

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LETTERS

The Dam Is the Answer

The current draft EIR for the Monterey Peninsula Water Project contains vital information for those who will vote on the desalination project being pushed by a majority of the water management board, to wit:

"Streamflow from a project such as the proposed New Los Padres dam is the only feasible long-term solution...All factors considered, the 24,000-acre foot New Los Padres reservoir with or without desalination is identified as the environmentally superior alternative under CEQA. Reasons for this include: (1) only the two 24,000-acre foot New Los Padres alternatives would correct existing damage to the lower Carmel River and provide adequate instream flows for public trust resources in nearly all years; (2) the two 24,000-acre feet New Los Padres alternatives would provide the greatest benefit to the steelhead resource (in some cases exceeding 'natural' conditions), stream-associated riparian wildlife, lagoon habitat, water-dependent recreation and aesthetics..."

Should the desalination project succeed in diverting public monies from the dam all this would be lost.

Edwin B. Lee
Carmel

Setting a Name Straight

The name under one of the letters in the Sun's April 8 edition was incorrect; it should have been Robert Evans, not Richard Evans. The Sun regrets its error.—The Ed.

Zoning Opponents Not Taxpayers?

It is interesting to note that of the two organizers of the attempt to nullify Ordinance 92-23, otherwise known as Measure H, neither one is a tax payer in Carmel. In fact, one of them only recently moved into town to live with the other one.

They seek to terrorize our officials into rescinding the measure since they are now afraid to present the measure to a vote of the people even though that was their original motive. They are ashamed, as they should be, of forcing this expensive election upon us. Our poor town certainly should not be required to go to the expense of this election. Our elected officials gave their best effort and judgment in passing this measure.

We do not need these self appointed critics coming into town and telling us how to run the city.

The *Sun* has published the complete ordinance for all to read and points out the 12 times that the Planning Commission presented it to the public for review. You can now see for yourself whether it is flawed or in disagreement with the general plan.

Edward M. Hicks
Carmel

A YES Will Give Rezoning Prestige

Voters have a significant difference between the scope of a YES decision and that of a NO in the case of the June ballot measure on rezoning: A NO decision will merely void Ordinance 92-23 and tell the Carmel City Council to reconsider. But a YES will not only bless the ordinance, it will weaken the General Plan to the extent that added prestige attaches to a measure which has received the explicit blessing of the people.

That is, when this ordinance can be challenged in court on the ground that it violates the General Plan, defense will be smart to point out that their people in their ultimate wisdom have not only elected the council that created the ordinance but have approved specifically this particular creation.

Those who share that expectation will in June be more hesitant to vote their YES than their NO.

Fenn C. Horton
Carmel

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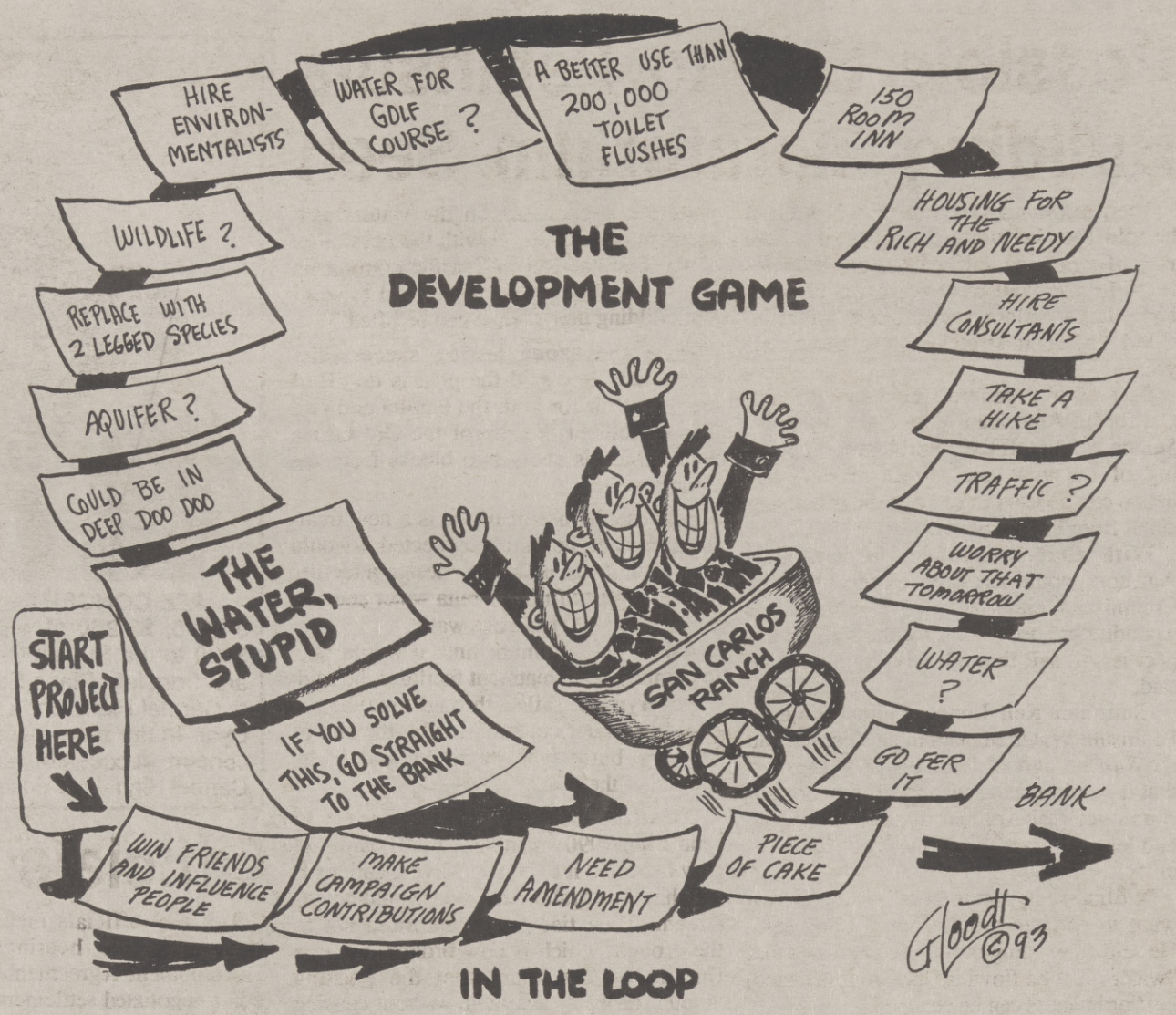

Don't (Nit) Pick on Sam

I sincerely hope that Fran Farina will not make Sam Karas' role in Clint Eastwood's film, "Unforgiven," an issue in seeking the office of supervisor of the fifth district. Sam has been in theater for many years, and to use his role to demand that he abstain from voting on any project that Clint is working on is nothing more than nit-picking.

Besides, Clint has done much to benefit the Monterey Peninsula, including the low income, senior housing project of Pacific Meadows. Her earlier complaint, on grounds that she is an environmentalist, that the small size landscaping at Pacific Meadows was also unnecessary nit-picking. The day has arrived when being an environmentalist is not going to meet with support or approval by those working men and women who are true conservationists and whose daily lives center around making a living.

Let's just imagine for a humorous possible scenario that Cling has a story for a role calling for a beautiful, youthful femme fatal and Fran was asked to play the role. Would she turn it down so that she could vote on a project like Cañada Woods?

Why, shucks, I might even be asked to sing a light hearted love story to her. Seriously speaking, we need her on the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District board.

Dr. Joe Noto
Carmel

His Best Argument?

This responds to the personal attack on Councilwoman Brooks by Mr. Chaffers of the pro-rezoning CCGG group in the April 1 *Sun*. Personal attacks are a sign of weak arguments. If he had something better to say he would have said it.

Lou Rolle
Carmel

Print the Old Ordinance

Thank you for printing the text of Ordinance 92-23, the Carmel rezoning ordinance, which will be on the ballot June 8 as Measure "H." I only wish you had the space to also print the existing ordinance which Measure "H" would replace. By such a comparison, Carmel city voters would clearly see that Measure "H" does indeed increase commercialization in the city of Carmel. In fact, it adds approximately two dozen commercial uses to the residential serving commercial district (RC zone), which is intended to be a buffer zone between the commercial and residential districts. This increase in commercial uses is not apparent unless a side-by-side comparison of the existing ordinance and Measure "H" is made.

It is hoped that you will find the space in your publication before the June 8 election to print both the existing ordinance and Measure "H" side by side, so that voters can make the comparison for themselves.

Finally, Mayor White's comments on the front page of the April 1 edition of the *Sun* are an implicit admission that the ordinance is "flawed," and I for one believe it is fatally flawed. He nevertheless suggests that it could be amended. Such a cavalier attitude avoids the harsh reality of trying to correct a bad law after it is enacted. If Measure "H," which increases commercial uses in Carmel, is passed, it would be virtually impossible to reduce those uses once intensified. You can be sure commercial property owners, licking their chops at having just been served approximately two dozen additional commercial uses, would scream "lawsuit, lawsuit" if the City Council tried to amend the ordinance. The City Council would predictably back down from any amendment to the ordinance rather than run the risk of protracted litigation.

Measure "H" is a legislative and commercial nightmare. As Councilmember Barbara Brooks said when she reversed her vote on the measure: "There's no right way to do the wrong thing." The only remedy is for voters of the City of Carmel to reject Measure "H" on June 8.

Suzanne H. Paboojian
Carmel

The Sun asked the Carmel Planning Department what would be involved in printing the original zoning ordinance. We were advised that in order to provide the total background for the changes in the new ordinance, we would have to reprint the 25-page Section 17.06 titled "Districts Established" and the 8-page Section 17.610, titled, "Commercial Districts-General Development Regulations," of Title 17. This is more text than is included in any of our regular papers in total, so it is not possible to print it. However, for those who are interested in examining them, these ordinances are available for examination at City Hall.—The Ed.

Hooray for the Mini Parks!

I want to compliment the City of Carmel for the beauty of our mini parks, especially the one on Lincoln at 11th. The Douglas iris are in full bloom there, and they are gorgeous!

We are fortunate to have a city sympathetic to enhancing the natural beauty of our streets. Oh! Don't forget to admire the iris and the flowering shrubs along the Scenic beach walkway south of 13th.

Marjorie Timmins
Carmel

City Zoning Maps Confusing

I admire your effort to educate the voters, but deplore the maps you printed when trying to explain the zoning changes.

In the existing zone map, you used a speckled box for the R-4 one but then used the same thing for the central commercial district in the proposed new zone. Result? Reader confusion. I labored between the two maps, hunting for the zone changes, consistently shifting from one box of stripes to another box of dots.

I'm a dumb bunny, you say. Too easy to sit back and second guess. Well, then here's my solution. Reprint the map as the zones now exist. Use all striped and dotted boxes for the existing zones. Then print a new blank map in which you highlight only the zone changes. Use the same box of dots on the changed zones ad you did on the old zone.

C. Hardy
Carmel

The Sun obtained the maps from the Carmel Planning Department and printed them precisely as received to avoid any chance of distortion. We regret you found them confusing and suggest you check with the Planning Department to see if it would clarify the maps. We would be happy to print them again if the department redraws them.—The Ed.

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Possible End to Peninsula Building Moratorium Seen

The water management district board will be told Monday night that tests of a new way of removing sulfur from the long-delayed Paralta well went perfectly, offering hope that a building moratorium might be lifted before it stretches into three full years.

Larry Foy, general manager of the California-American Water Co. told the *Sun* he would tell the board that test pumping of the well last month proved that ozone can be used to remove the rotten egg smell from Paralta water.

With that assurance, he said Cal-Am now would ask the Seaside Planning Commission either May 12 or May 26 for a conditional use permit for the well. "I expect it will sail through with no hitch," he said.

Chairman Ken Long of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District told the *Sun* he agreed with Foy's suggestion that it would make sense to lift the moratorium once Cal-Am had all its permits and had let a contract for the new treatment facility.

"Collectively, members of the board want to end the moratorium," Long said. He said an existing ordinance stipulates that "water must be flowing" before it is ended, but "ordinances can be changed."

The well originally was expected to be on-line two years ago when the board imposed the moratorium and tied the end of it either to Paralta becoming operational or other sources of so-called new water being procured.

Drilled at a cost of nearly $1 million, the well has encountered a series of delays following the discovery that although it is prolific, its water smells of rotten eggs. Some observers have suggested that some of the delay has been politically motivated since Seaside often quarrels publicly with the water management district.

The moratorium, which suspended the issuance of new water connections for any project which intensified water use, hit hard at the construction industry on the peninsula. Tradesmen were bitter about it, saying it unnecessarily exacerbated the pain during the recession.

In a statement to a supervisors' candidate forum, Supervisor Sam Karas, who represents the supervisors on the water management board, said "...with the possibility of the Paralta well in Seaside coming on line by August, it is apparent that the current building moratorium can be lifted."

With the ozone testing successfully completed, Foy said the plan is do all of the treatment for both the Paralta and Ord Grove wells at the site of the Ord Grove well, which is about two blocks from the Paralta well.

Because the use of ozone is a new treatment process, he said he expected it would take about three months to design a facility to treat both sulfur in Paralta water and sulfur and iron in Ord Grove water.

Asked the minimum time it would take to complete the treatment facilities, he said: "If everything sailed through, maybe we could be under construction by the end of the year, but maybe we could be done by the end of the year."

When the moratorium was imposed in January of 1990, members of the board said they expected it to be short-lived, anticipating that the Paralta well soon would be on-stream. They tied the moratorium not to the drought which is now broken, but to a finding by the board that the existing amount of water available without causing environmental damage had been over subscribed.

Foy said the ozone that would be used to treat the water would be created by electricity and high air pressure. "No chemicals will be used at the site, and the waste product is oxygen."

For planning purposes, the water management district board figured that Paralta would produce 1,000-acre-feet (AF) a year. Of that, 230 AF will be used to offset the deficit that the board found existed because of oversubscription. Half of the remaining water is to be dedicated to drought reserve, leaving some 385 AF available for new connections.

Foy said that during the ozone testing, Paralta was pumped hard and produced 2,300 gallons a minute with very little drawdown. If the well could hold that production even during dry periods and after the Seaside aquifer has been pumped hard, it could produce more than 2,000 AF a year.

A JAZZ CONCERT sponsored by the Carmel Mission Kiwanis Club raised $4,000, $3,280 of which was presented to the Carmel Music Boosters and $820 to the Sunset Center Task Force. Shown above after the presentations are, from left: Diane Eagle of the Music Boosters; Dick Robins, music instructor at Carmel High; Linda Anderson of the Task Force; and Kiwanis President Erik Dyar. In the back row are Paul Brocchini, who was instrumental in making the concert successful, and Joe Sheedy and James Findley, members of the Carmel High Jazz Ensemble.

Officials Plan Laub Hearings

Top city officials met April 8 to plan how to handle hearings on a special Development Agreement that is part of a court-negotiated settlement of Carmel's 13-year legal battle with merchants Paul and Connie Laub.

When the settlement of some $27 million in alleged damages was announced at the end of March, Mayor Ken White said the Planning Commission would only "review" the agreement which encompasses a broad range of business uses to be allowed in Laub's Paradise Building plus physical remodeling of the exterior.

But Commission Chairman Jack Kennedy said his body did not wish to be "a rubber stamp," and Acting Planning Director Brian Roseth said the commission "can suggest changes or recommend it not be adopted."

White warned at the administrative meeting that "any lengthy discussion or debate and we'll probably lose that agreement. It would be good to have the attorney there to describe the agreement." He suggested commissioners with longevity in Carmel will understand the agreement but newer ones won't.

"It's been very difficult to get to this point," said Councilwoman Barbara Brooks. She and White attended the "informational" meeting with Kennedy and Vice Chairman Ed Jordan, Roseth and City Administrator Jere Kersnar.

Whereupon Kennedy suggested, "Why don't we narrow the focus so the commissioners don't get the idea they can renegotiate this agreement."

"That's the point we've been trying to get to," said White.

Kersnar said if Roseth determined an environmental impact report (EIR) was not required, the Development Agreement could reach the City Council for approval in June. It goes before the commission April 28.

"Given the person involved, it's better to move ahead so he doesn't think there's a delay," Brooks advised.

The city has spent $147,706 in legal fees fighting Laub since he first filed a suit against it in 1980. The fight has been primarily over his right to various business uses in his two-story building at the corner of Ocean Avenue and Dolores. Attorney Michael Stamp of Pacific Grove represented the city.

The settlement sets specific deadlines for action by both the city and Laub with the Monterey County Superior Court retaining jurisdiction over the issue. In return, contempt charges against Connie Laub and the last Laub suit against the city would both be dropped.

"Should I assume the development permit is part of the agreement?" Jordan asked. "Oh, yes," said the mayor.

"I think we ought to simplify this thing," White said. "If we don't know where we are, we've got a real problem. Any lengthy discussion or debate will probably lose that agreement."

The Development Agreement, likened to a Specific Plan for the 4,750-square foot corner lot, would give the building 10 different business uses so it could be run either like a department store or independently.

The agreement sets forth specific requirements whereby Laub could have a maximum of 50 percent of his space for T-shirts, not the 10 percent allowed under city regulations, "in recognition of an existing, vested use of that scope and nature."

Laub also could have two jewelry stores of 1,000 square feet each. One would be required to have a repair or craftsperson on hand, the other would not. Retail space for the sale of art was set at 1,000 square feet during the first phase of the agreement and 1,500 square feet after remodeling.

The physical remodeling of the building includes lighting and landscaping the Dolores Street side in two phases. Laub is required to submit a proposal for approval of the second phase no later than April 15, 1994.

Mapstead Challenges Pescadero Canyon Lot Line Adjustment

Friends of Pescadero Canyon filed an appeal with the Planning Department challenging Carmel's legal right to make an administrative determination granting a five-foot lot line adjustment for land in the environmentally sensitive canyon.

Acting Planning Director Brian Roseth apologized to the Planning Commission and the public and owners of the land on Feb. 24 for calling a public hearing on the proposed change. He said he had conferred with City Attorney Don Freeman and found that the city code called for the adjustment to be made administratively.

Noel Mapstead, acting for the Friends, filed an appeal Friday challenging the city's position on several counts. It was set for a hearing before the commission May 12.

The Tescher-Levett Co. had requested the 510-foot lot line adjustment to help Norm Pressley, owner of adjacent property that is smaller than the minimum 4,000 square foot city lot. In the meantime, however, the ownership of the lots has changed but Chris Tescher said he still was legally and morally obligated to handle the application.

Mapstead, a candidate for the new fifth supervisorial district, cited 17 grounds for the appeal. He said the administrative decision was not covered under the statutory exceptions allowed under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and therefore an initial study was required to determine if a Negative Declaration or an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was needed because the land is in an environmentally sensitive area.

He said there also were other "hitches," one being the city's failure to draw up a list of projects that it considers exempt. "The city is inept," Mapstead charged. "Title 17 is inept. I could call them on anything in it. They don't have a list so there's no proof it's exempt."

Beyond that, Mapstead said one of the exemptions allowed under CEQA only applies to slopes less than 20 percent and the land in question is more than 30 percent.

"I'm angry about the (lack of) protection of something I hold very sacred," Mapstead said. "Pescadero Canyon was a high priority in the General Plan as far back as into the 1970's. The Carmel Land Use Plan calls for an outright purchase."

If allowed to stand, he said the administrative decision "will set a precedent for the rest of the nine lots in the canyon."

"Pretty soon you're going to be asking for an EIR for marriage licenses because it's a known fact the biggest polluters are families," Tescher said he told Mapstead.

"There's irony in the fact that a year ago we got approval to build a house on Pescadero Canyon without an environemtnal impact report so you would think that a lot line adjustment would not require an EIR, but I guess Noel has a different opinion. It seems ludicrous to me," Tescher said.

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SHERIFF'S LOG

CARMEL. The baseball coach at Carmel High School reported the concession stand at the diamond was broken into and some $500 worth of candy stolen. 4/5.

CARMEL. A woman said someone tried to steal the Alpine stereo out of her Toyota while it was parked near her Hatton Road homed overnight. 4/5.

CARMEL. A man said his gold Mercedes was burglarized while parked outside his Hatton Road home. Stereo equipment and a CD player valued at $600 were taken. A deputy said there was no sign of forced entry and the car was locked with the alarm on. 4/5.

Cars Burglarized at Park

VALLEY. A woman who lives on Scarlett Road said her car was burglarized while parked at Garland Park. She said she was one of three burglary victims in which a total of about $500 worth of items were taken. Two young men about 18 years old were identified as possible suspects. 4/5

CARMEL. A credit card imprinter belonging to Pete's Shell Station in Gonzales was found at Hatton and 7th and returned to its owner. 4/5.

HIGHLANDS. A Pasadena man said his car was burglarized while parked at Highlands Inn and $665 worth of camera equipment taken. 4/5.

CARMEL. A Carmel man was arrested for being drunk in public when a deputy found him wandering near Monte Verde after responding to an anonymous call that a man was drunk and obnoxious at Mission Ranch. 4/5.

SOUTH COAST. A Carmel Valley Village woman reported the back window of her car was broken out while parked off Highway 1 just north of Garrapata Beach. She said she found a note left by a witness who said it was broken by two men in a beige car. 4/5.

Mail Reported Stolen

VILLAGE. A woman said someone had been stealing mail from her box on Paso Cresta over the past couple of months. 4/5.

VILLAGE. A custodian requested regular patrol checks on Tularcitos School, saying it was experiencing a lot of malicious mischief, littering and gathering of profane people who are not students. 4/6.

CARMEL. A woman reported her mailbox at her home on Willow Place had been stolen. 4/6.

CACHAGUA. A man said he heard a shot at his home on Cachagua Road and found someone had shot one of his pigs. An investigating deputy said the carcass was found several hundred yards from the pen in the woods. 4/6.

CARMEL.A man said his home on Via Mar Monte was burglarized. He said a VCR, video games and jewelry valued at $700 were taken. 4/6.

CARMEL. A 36-year-old transient was jailed for public drunkenness after being sighted by a deputy at Rio Road and Atherton. 4/6.

RIO ROAD. The California Department of Forestry reported a woman in front of Long's Drugs needed medical assistance. 4/7.

CARMEL. A woman said someone hit her car with an egg while it was parked near her San Juan Road home. 4/7.

Senior Citizen Arrested

BIG SUR. A 72-year-old Salinas man was jailed for public drunkenness after a complaint from the River Inn that he was drunk and profane. 4/7.

VALLEY. A maintenance man at Carmel Middle School said someone tried to shoot out the lock on the door to the music room. 4/7.

VILLAGE. The custodian at Tularcitos School said someone left trash on the basketball courts. 4/8.

RIO ROAD. An 80-year-old Big Sur woman called from the Crossroads Shopping Center to report she had lost her wallet near Long's Drugs. She said it contained $400 in cash, credit cards and her health insurance ID. 4/8.

Daylight Burglary

VILLAGE. A man reported his home on Paso Hondo was burglarized between 1 and 3 p.m. and $1,300 in cash and property were taken. 4/8.

CARMEL. A man said he discovered a young man with shoulder-length brown hair trying to get the stereo out of his van which was parked near his San Mateo Road home. The owner said when the man tried to flee, the owner hit him on the head with a plastic flashlight. The would-be thief was last seen running down San Luis towards Highway 1. 4/8.

Cognac Swiped

RIO ROAD. A Carmel man reported a man walked into the Crossroads Safeway, went directly to the liquor department, took three bottles of cognac and walked out the store. He told a deputy the man then drove away in a white station wagon with wooden siding on it. 4/8.

CARMEL MEADOWS. A man who lives on Ribera Road complained of excessive noise coming from the Carmel Area Wastewater Treatment plant where construction is underway. A deputy said the noise, created by a pile driver, would continue for the next six weeks with the exception of weekends. 4/9.

CARMEL. A woman said someone stole a $600 stereo out of her car while it was parked near her home on San Pedro. 4/9.

CACHAGUA. A woman reported someone did about $1,000 damage to her property on Cachagua Road. 4/10.

Runaway Found

HIGHLANDS. A patrolling deputy said he found a runaway juvenile near the Highlands Chevron Station, and he had stolen artichokes in his possession. 4/10.

BIG SUR. A Woodland Hills man said his car was burglarized while parked near the Pine Ridge Trail. He said the loss amounted to about $905 and included a ham radio, two camera lenses and a wallet. 4/10.

CARMEL RANCHO. A Topanga, Calif., man was cited for stealing a $20 book from Thunderbird Bookstore in the Barnyard. 4/10.

VILLAGE. Responding to reports of a woman screaming on Village Drive, a deputy arrested a man he said had hit his wife several times. The deputy said the man also resisted when he arrested him. 4/11.

CARMEL. A man reported someone stole his mail box during the night from in front of his home on Rio Vista. He said a neighbor's mailbox was missing, too. 4/11.

Credit Card Found

VILLAGE. A patrolling deputy said he found a Monterey Federal Credit Card that had been left in the ATM at the former Bank of America building. He said the name on it was illegible, but he would call later to learn the owner's identity. 4/11.

VALLEY. Two juveniles from Pacific Grove were cited for illegal possession of a steelhead they had caught from the Carmel River in Garland Park. 4/11.

VALLEY. A woman who lives on Carmel Valley Road said she heard voices outside her home during the night. She told a deputy she suspected it was poachers making their way into the hills behind her home and said she had had trouble with poachers before. 4/11.

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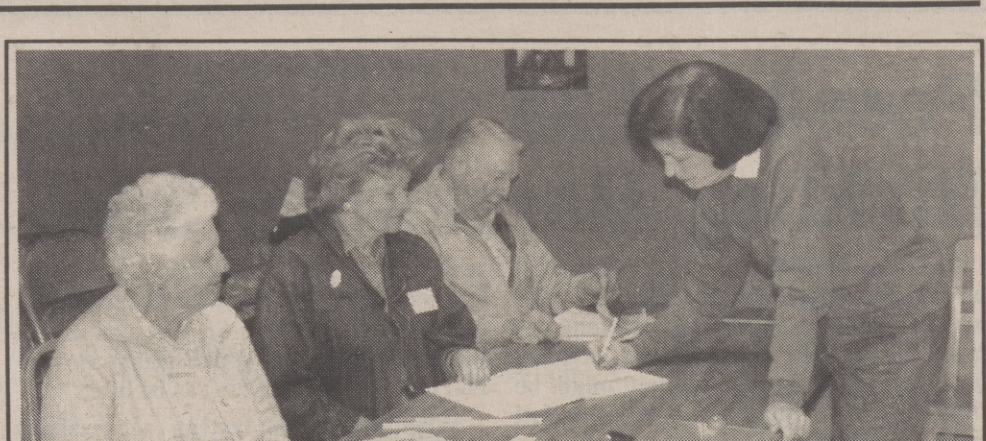

MARILYN JONES SIGNS IN TO VOTE at the Carmel Valley Baptist Church. The turnout was light in the special primary election to narrow the field of candidates for a congressional election June 8. Poll workers were Geraldine Warcken, Joan Gaughran and August Warcken. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

People Vs. Environment Debated At Supervisors' Candidate Forum

By Stan Hall

Clear-cut differences emerged Tuesday at the first forum for candidates in the fifth district supervisors' race, with one declaring the environment should not be sacrificed for short-term creation of jobs. Another responded that people are "living organisms" and shouldn't be sacrificed themselves.

Three of the six candidates appeared to answer questions at the Carmel Association of Realtors monthly meeting, and Supervisor Sam Karas, who was attending the regular Board of Supervisors meeting, sent a statement. Candidates Harrison Williams of Pebble Beach and Noel Mapstead of Carmel were not present.

Delayed a year by disputes over redistricting following the 1990 census, the June 8 vote will see six candidates vying in the newly redrawn fifth district. The winner will be seated without a runoff, election officials said.

A question from the floor, directed at Fran Farina, a member of the water management district board who lives in Carmel Valley, brought the disagreement into sharp focus.

Noting that Farina had said the fifth district needs a strong environmentalist to protect its natural beauty, the questioner said: "It seems to me that there is more concern about the environment than people. People are being left out."

"We cannot accommodate everyone on the peninsula on a permanent basis," Farina responded. She argued that some short-term solutions to economic problems could spell long term environmental problems.

"We cannot sacrifice the environment for the sake of jobs in the short term," she declared. After practicing law in Florida, Farina moved to the Valley about seven years ago but no longer practices law.

Jeff Davi, a 25-year-old political newcomer in the race who told the group he was not only a third generation county resident but a third generation Realtor and "proud of it," challenged her.

"Fran and I have a fundamental disagreement," he said, suggesting the area could protect the environment and its economy at the same time. He said he had looked up the word "environment" and found that it encompassed a person's surroundings, living organisms and the infrastructure.

"People are living organisms," Davi said. "You don't sacrifice them for something else."

David Hendrick, who noted he was a former chairman of the local Sierra Club chapter, chimed in that there was a tendency to "cloak yourself in green, and then say that anybody who disagrees with you is anti-environment."

He said it was the job of elected officials to direct growth. "You can't stop it. It's already here in Carmel Valley. You can't stop it with (restrictions on) sewer lines or by creating artificial traffic problems at the mouth of the Valley."

A former member of the County Planning Commission and the Monterey Transportation Commission, Hendrick supported proceeding with the Hatton Canyon Freeway, while Farina is a member of the Hatton Canyon Coalition which opposes the freeway and supports widening of Highway 1.

In his statement, Karas also supported widening of Highway 1—the so-called Alternative 4 C Modified which calls for two additional lanes from Ocean Avenue to Carmel Valley Road and an interchange at Carmel Valley Road.

"Widening the highway is the fastest way, it will put the money ($42 million set aside for the freeway) to work and it will put people to work," Farina said.

Farina and Davi also split over the issue of a proposed desalination plant which will be the subject of a vote June 8. Farina opposed desal, and Davi said he supported both "desal and a new dam—they go hand in hand."

For his part, Hendrick said dissident director Dick Heuer of the water management district "has done a magnificent job fighting (the desal) program. I don't see anybody doing the same thing for the other side. I suspect it will go down to defeat on June 8. It is unfortunate that we have to vote on it before we know about the dam."

Karas' statement said he was neutral on the question of the desal plant.

Another questioner said it seemed "punitive" and "ludicrous" to limit Rancho San Carlos to 500 home sites and a 150-unit hotel, given "the density in other parts of the county."

Farina said if elected supervisor she would have no choice but to go along with the 1/160 density the board approved March 30, but would insist that all conditions imposed on development on the 20,000 acre property be followed.

Noting her position on the water management district board, she said, "Rancho San Carlos could have an impact on our water supply... Our water supply could be in jeopardy." She noted that the water management district serves 112,000 residents through Cal-Am, and that one-fifth of the runoff into the Carmel River originated on Rancho San Carlos.

Davi said he supported the supervisors' 1/160 decision, but also expressed deep concern about water. "The water has to be worked out."

Karas' statement noted that he had voted for 1/40 density with a proposed hotel because "the developers have not proved that they have an adequate quality water supply, nor have they completely addressed the traffic constraints.

"Also, I believe that until we bring forth a regional plan showing planned projects throughout the areas which recognizes each project's impact, we should not rush into approving a development the size of Rancho San Carlos."

Cañada Woods Passes First Hurdle in County Process

By Isabelle Hall

Clint Eastwood's Cañada Woods combined commercial-residential project passed the first hurdle in the lengthy county approval process April 8 with the controversial question of a trail from Jack's Peak to Carmel Valley Road for horses, hiking and bicycles left unresolved.

Various groups, including the county parks department, expressed interest at a hearing in Salinas in having a trail dedicated that would run from the north edge of the Eastwood land—which borders Monterra Ranch on Highway 68—through Cañada de la Segunda Canyon south to Carmel Valley Road and across the road to the Carmel River. But, the various groups were divided over who would get to use such a trail.

There was strong opposition to a trail because of the danger and traffic problems posed by having people, hiking or on horses or bicycles, cross the heavily traveled road at a major intersection.

The Standard Subdivision Committee voted unanimously to recommend that the Planning Commission adopt a preliminary project review map for the 550-acre project which includes a 44-lot residential subdivision on the north side of Carmel Valley Road and a combined commercial-agriculture project on the south side. But it left the trail issue for further discussion as the project moves to the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors.

The commission set May 12 to consider the recommendation. The 101 conditions recommended by the Planning Department will be added to, based on suggestions by various governmental departments and be part of the proposal before the Planning Commission, the committee said. The Health Department has already proposed an additional 18 conditions governing wastewater treatment and water service.

Meanwhile, the project goes before the Carmel Valley Residential Subdivision Committee May 13, the day before the tentative commission hearing, to be scored for compliance with the Carmel Valley Master Plan. The two processes run parallel with each other, explained project Planner Ann Towner, before the project reaches the Board of Supervisors for lot allocation and conversion of the preliminary map to a tentative map.

Among the conditions, the developers would have to pay fees for development of Carmel Valley Road at Highway 1; provide a right-turn deceleration taper on Carmel Valley Road at both entrances to the project; provide an eastbound left-turn lane with 50 feet of storage and 315 feet of deceleration length on Carmel Valley Road at the proposed Cañada de la Segunda entrance and a westbound left-turn lane with the same requirements at Williams Ranch Road; and dedicate right-of-way for the widening of Carmel Valley Road to a four-lane highway and provide frontage improvements or an in-lieu fee.

Alan Williams, owner of Carmel Development Co. which is handling the project for property owners Eastwood and Leonard and Emily Williams, said, "Most of my neighbors are concerned about bringing a trail head to Carmel Valley Road. Clint reminded me that we gave Pacific Meadows and a trail there. It's like he already gave at the office."

He referred to the senior citizen project west of Cañada Woods for which Eastwood and actor James Garner donated the land. Williams said a trail ran east to west from that project connecting with a trail on land owned by the Big Sur Land Trust to the east of Rancho Cañada.

Supervising Planner Lynne Mounday said the Carmel Valley Road Improvement committee, a group that includes Williams, Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman and Fran Farina, who is running for Strasser Kauffman's seat, "are concerned about improvements on Carmel Valley Road and horse traffic coming out on a very busy intersection at Valley Greens Road. Fran Farina is concerned about horses coming out across three or four lanes of traffic."

At the same time, Mounday said the Planning Department was going ahead on a trails program for the Valley as part of a major, county-wide project under the direction of the Board of Supervisors. "It will be the mother of all trail plans," he said. "It will involve some very sensitive and controversial areas in Monterey County."

Kathryn McKenna, secretary of the committee, said, "I want to express the Planning Department's support for a trail on the north side of Carmel Valley Road for horses and bicycles if we can work out the conflict."

She said the Transportation Authority of Monterey County (TAMC) "has drafted a bikeway plan. There is a high priority to have a bike trial through this property connecting Highway 68 and Carmel Valley Road."

Richard Brandau, the committee representative of the county parks department, said, "Our department does not want to downplay the difficulty of getting people across Carmel Valley Road." He urged the county to hasten passage of the trails plan "to help me to justify trails of this nature."

Despite some major issues, Brandau said, "It's an opportunity we need to take so we don't lose a valuable trail resource." He proposed the committee define a trail north from Carmel Valley Road, but Chairman Owen Stewart said the appropriate time would be at the tentative map stage which comes next in the approval process.

Ed Haber, owner of Quail Lodge and Quail Meadows which are reached by Valley Greens Road just southwest of Cañada Woods, said, "If you're talking about a horse trail across Carmel Valley Road, that would be dangerous. There could be great objections to that project if it's going to create an unsafe condition."

Janet Heimann, who said she was a trail enthusiast representing 227 people, urged a hiking trail. Paul Trujillo, chairman of the Monterey County Horseman's Association, said, "There's a trail on the ridge from Jack's Peak to Toro Park. This would be a good opportunity to have a horse trail to give access to Carmel River and eventually the Ventana area." A petition with 28 signatures also was submitted.

LOOKING NORTH FROM CAÑADA WOODS to the area where a trail is being urged that would link Highway 68 with the Carmel River. Opponents of the idea have expressed concern about the danger of having hikers, bikers and horses crossing busy Carmel Valley Road. *Sun photos by Isabelle Hall*

Neighbor Diane Bowman to the east of Cañada Woods said, "I am concerned about the major fire hazard we are creating in Carmel Valley. We have trespassers building fires. An uncontrolled trail passage up there is definitely a problem if we open trails on that property."

David Bluford, who said he represented other neighbors adjacent to the project, questioned if a road could come out of Cañada Woods on Highway 68 to the north.

Eastwood met personally with Haber some weeks ago to assure him that he would eliminate an original proposal to have a service road, to be called Paisano Road, with access to Valley Greens Road that leads into Haber's property from the proposed service center.

Haber told the committee he was concerned that some members of the road improvement committee want the Paisano Road opened up "and Valley Greens shut off entirely."

"We have the same public safety concerns as Mr. Haber," said Tony Lombardo, attorney for Cañada Woods. "We'll do away with that road." He quoted Eastwood as telling Haber he would do nothing to hurt Quail Lodge or Quail Meadows and would drop the idea of a service road.

Haber reminded the committee that his Quail Meadows project was the first "one ever approved unanimously by anybody." His residential project was the first ever approved under the recently adopted scoring system that is unique to Carmel Valley. He also pointed out that Quail Lodge was one of only 20 five-star resorts in the country.

Haber said permitting access from the proposed Paisano Road "would be very damaging. It would destroy the very thing that you and the Board of Supervisors approved."

He submitted a letter calling for a condition stating that the developers and their successors would agree in perpetuity that no traffic from the development would enter or exit Valley Greens Drive.

F.A. Hollenback president of Carmel Valley Golf and Country Club Homeowners Associatin representing 200 homeowners in the Quail Lodge Resort, also expressed concern about the possible extension of Paisano Road in a letter.

"Valley Greens Drive is the major thoroughfare for our homeowners," wrote Hollenbach. "Minimum access to this road improves our security control of our community."

In a handwritten footnote, Hollenbach also said, "We generally question the need of the proposed commercial facility considering the availability of similar facilities at the mouth of the Valley, At Mid Valley, and in the Carmel Valley Village."

Planner Ann Towner received two letters from residents of Cypress Lane east of the project who said they opposed any vehicular access to Cypress Lane from the subdivision. They also objected to farming practices on the agricultural land, complaining of excessive dust and fertilizer odor, and suggested the Williams' 39 acres be converted to a park.

John and Terri Brazinsky also wrote, saying that property owners in the Prado del Sol area east of the project had not been notified about the hearing. They urged a 50-75 foot tree buffer be built along the farm to reduce dust and smells from blowing east into the subdivision, called for organic farming and a limit on the number of cars and trucks at the employee housing units.

COUNTY OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC gathered recently for a three-hour tour of Cañada Woods. They listened to an explanation of plans to develop the Williams Ranch property on the south side of Carmel Valley Road east of Valley Hills prior to making the trip.

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Local Sentiment Seems Opposed to Village Job Center

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the Community Center Activities Room.

"There's no reason to get upset and angry," Randazzo told him.

"We don't want them here, Randy." Enyati replied. He owns the property known as the Plaza Linda Building and the Teeleet antique store behind it on Pilot Road. He said laborers relieved themselves at the back of his building and had broken in several times to use a bathroom.

"I hate to see my building being p---d on," Enyati said, detailing his efforts to clean up and renovate the property. "We don't have to take this abuse. We don't have to take all this flak."

William Giles, a photographer who has a studio across the street from Enyati's property, came to the defense of the committee. "They really are trying to solve the problem," he said. "It's not going to go away as long as people hire them. Three-quarters of them get hired."

Giles, who speaks Spanish and has held free English classes for the workers, asked almost plaintively, "Do you know a single Mexican by name?" There was scattered applause when he finished.

Unlike the first town hall, the second session was marked by increased comments critical of those who hire the day laborers.

Bill Parham, owner of the Peninsula Septic Tank Service in the Village, said his average hourly cost for a laborer was a minimum of $15 after paying Social Security, workers compensation and unemployment taxes. Others in the crowd estimated that the average hourly wage for the laborers was $7-$8 an hour with none of those additional costs.

"If these guys don't pay worker's compensation, what happens if they get hurt. Who's going to pay for it if they have to go to Natividad (Hospital)?" Parham asked.

"We have enough people here who are out of work. Let's do more for them," Parham added. He asked if the referral center, if it were established, would pay those costs.

Attorney Blanca Zarazua, a member of the committee, said it would not, noting that if it did, it could be considered a "joint employer" and therefore be exposed to the liability that attaches to an employer.

Frank Konti, director of the Labor Department's wage and hour division for the San Francisco region who attended both meetings, agreed. He said if the referral center applied too much control of the laborers, it would be considered to have jointly hired them.

At the meeting of the committee prior to the town hall, Konti said a center "can not legally refer an illegal alien. If it does, it is subject to a fine by the Immigration Department."

Under Hobbs' prompting, Konti also said that a referral center should check documentation presented by laborers and have them sign an I-9 form "in every instance." He said it was not incumbent on a center to verify that the documentation was valid, but it must ask to see it and make a reasonable judgment if it was real.

After hearing from Konti, the committee members agreed unanimously that any center should place only legally documented aliens. That question was a major bone of contention at the first town hall, and Panetta's wife, Sylvia, arranged for Konti to attend the second one as a result of the disagreement both in the community and on the committee.

Bob Johnson, executive director of the Monterey County Office for Employment Training, attended the committee meeting and said his agency probably could not help fund the proposed center. For one thing, he said the focus was not primarily training, but placement. For another, he said funding for his office was very short.

"There are a half dozen day laborer situations like yours in the county now from Watsonville to King City," Johnson said. "Carmel Valley is the most active right now."

Peter Coakley, a member of the committee, said he could support a center if it placed only legal aliens but not in the middle of the Village. He said undocumented workers probably would continue to come to Kasey's. "In that case, let's encourage INS (Immigration and Naturalization Service) to do its job," he said to applause.

Robin Harness of Carmel Valley also drew applause when she asked, "So what's the point" of creating a center if some of the laborers still will end up waiting on the streets near Kasey's. She noted the the state already has an unemployment agency.

A woman who said her husband was a contractor added that he had called the Monterey employment office and received 36 responses in three days.

Barry Murphy of Prunedale, saying he was a former Carmel Valley resident, noted that as a Canadian he had waited for many many months to come to the United States, adding "millions from all over the world want to come here."

As did several other speakers he suggested those employing the laborers need to be educated about their legal responsibilities.

"Shame on the contractors who hire these men without checking whether they are legal or not," he said. "Shame on the housewives who use them to clean up their yards without being concerned whether they are legal or not."

BUD HOBBS of Carmel Valley addresses a town hall meeting on a proposed job referral center for Hispanic day laborers. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

A woman asked Konti if the Labor Department made any effort to monitor employers who hire day laborers. He said it did, but added he had 16 investigators to cover the area from the Oregon border to Monterey County.

"Employers don't come to these meetings," one participant then noted, waving a hand around the room. "The people hiring them don't seem to be interested in being part of the solution."

A woman suggested that it might be appropriate to hire a photographer to take pictures of those hiring the men.

At one point, Hobbs said he did not think a center should be created in the Village. "I agree with Peter (Coakley)," he said. "I've worked with the Mexican people for 40 years. They didn't come here for fun. Employers need to be educated about the need to pay minimum wages (and the appropriate taxes).

"But I'll guarantee you, if you build a center, you'll have 100, 200, 300, 400 and maybe then 1,000. These people do need help, but the state is the one who should be doing this. The only trouble is, it doesn't have any money."

Randazzo replied, "Any given location will only support a given amount of jobs. I don't believe we'd have 500 here—they'd starve to death."

As it did at the first town hall, the question of "outsiders" attending again came up. About a half dozen opponents of the plan showed up from Monterey, Salinas and Prunedale. They represented groups angry about U. S. immigration policies such as the Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR).

Mike deHaydu, a contractor from Los Lomas and an outspoken opponent of the center at both town hall meetings, asked, "would you be willing to lay the referral center thing to rest if you could find a place for bathrooms?" He said he would volunteer to help build them if it would.

He and other opponents expressed strong criticism of federal immigration policies.

Patricia Lockhart of Carmel, who said she previously lived in the Valley for seven years, urged people to insist that the government "do something about the border."

"La Raza and organizations like LULAC (League of United Latin American Citizens) want more illegal aliens in the country," she said. "That will give them more power because they will have more voters.

"But do you want 2,000 a day streaming across the border?" she asked. Citing the cost of immigrants' health needs, schooling and law enforcement, she said "put pressure on the government... Support the Border Patrol."

Matthew Sundt of Carmel Valley said a center might be appropriate, given the geographical isolation of the Valley. But he said any center should be Spartan and supported by "private funding only. No public money should be used for it."

One of the group of opponents complained that some members of the committee had raised charges of racism against those opposed to the center. "Racism has nothing to do with the job center," he said.

Jim Lockhart of Carmel, without naming Bill Melendez of Salinas, a former official with LULAC who serves on the committee, noted the criticism of "outsiders" attending the town hall and said, "some members of your board are outsiders, too."

House Runoff Set

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include Jerry McCready, 44, of Castroville, American Independent Party; Kevin Gary Clark of Santa Cruz, Green Party; Richard Quigley, 49, of Aptos, Libertarian Party; and two independents, James Ogle, 35, of Santa Cruz and Peter James, 37, of Aptos.

Shipnuck ran stronger in Monterey County than she did overall, but still trailed Monning, a liberal who closed fast. She told the *Sun* she thought name recognition was important in Farr and McCampbell's wins. But she suggested it was not the paramount factor, citing Monning's second place finish and what she said was his excellent campaigning among UC-Santa Cruz students.

She also said she believed that Farr benefitted from a very aggressive effort to get his supporters to vote in advance by absentee ballot.

Asked if she had any aspirations to succeed Farr in the assembly, Shipnuck said no, explaining she lives just outside the district he now represents. "I don't intend to move," she said. "I plan to finish out my term as supervisor" which runs until December of 1994.

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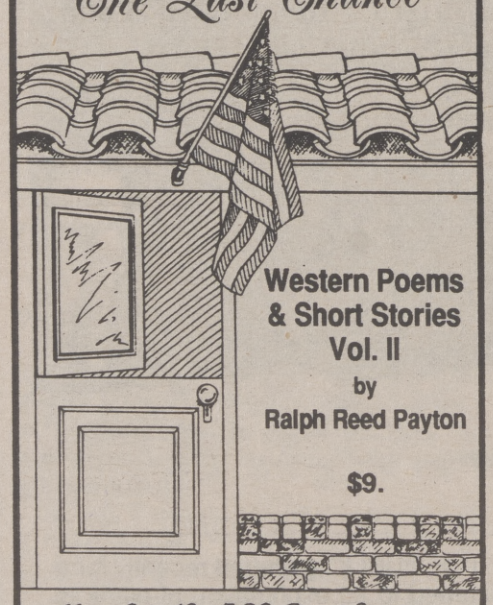

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Road Group Sees Less Growth than CV Plan Allows

By Stan Hall

Members of a committee working on an alternative to additional four-laning of Carmel Valley Road predicted Friday that growth in the Valley will be less than the maximum allowed in the master plan, making the need for the four-laning unnecessary.

"What kind of a road do you need to service that growth?" asked Alan Williams, president of Carmel Development Co., at the monthly meeting of the Carmel Valley Village Improvement Committee (CVVIC) Friday.

He appeared with Fran Farina, another member of the committee created by Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman. They predicted that research being done by the committee with help from the Planning Department will show that buildout will be 30 to 40 percent less than the maximum allowed by the Carmel Valley Master Plan.

Farina, seeking to succeed Strasser Kauffman in the June 8 supervisors' election, said that although the master plan called for extending the four-lane section from Via Petra to Robinson Canyon Road, residents overwhelmingly opposed the idea. She cited sentiment at 14 public meetings conducted last year by the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association (CVPOA).

Saying the proposed four-laning would destroy 2,100 mature trees, she said residents attending the CVPOA sessions clearly had two alternative priorities:

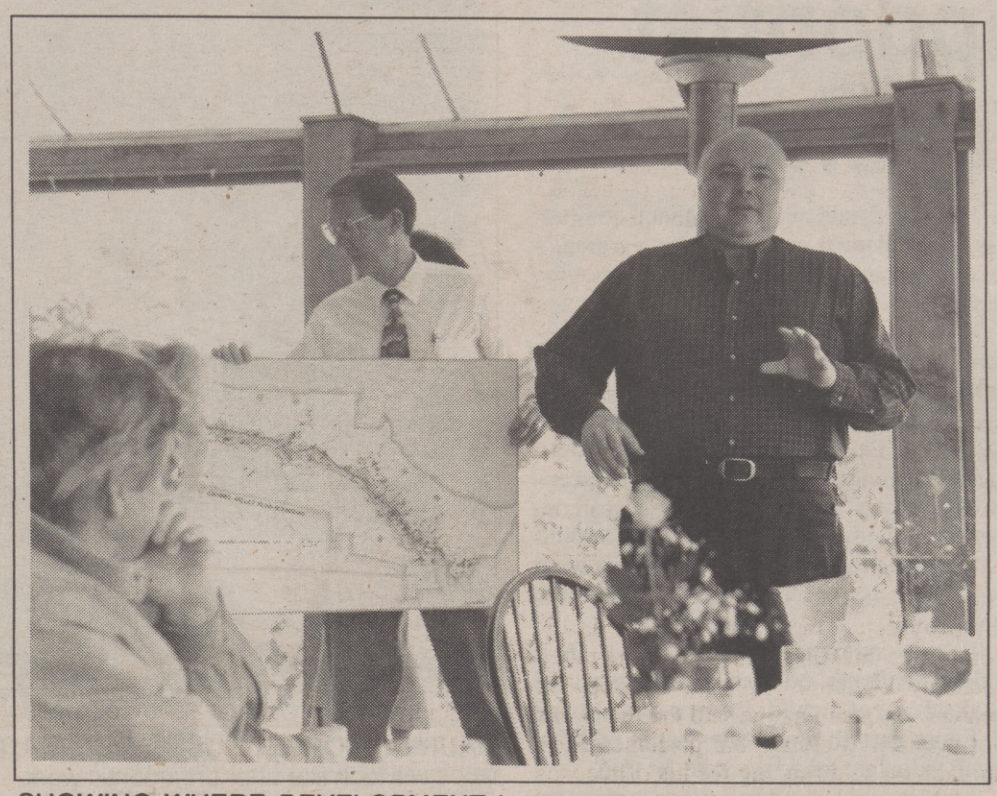
- Making it easier for the people using the many driveways and roads intersecting Carmel Valley Road to get on and off the road.
- The creation of passing lane areas where appropriate to allow drivers to get around slower motorists.

"What the public says it wants are some passing lanes and ways to get on and off the road," Williams agreed.

Farina and Williams said they had been working closely with the Public Works Department to identify areas where turning or acceleration lanes were needed. He said they had also looked at a few stretches which might lend themselves to passing lanes.

Strasser Kauffman scheduled a town hall meeting on the road for All Saints' School in the Valley on May 10. She told the *Sun* that detailed drawings of proposed improvements would be available at the meeting for the Via Petra-Robinson Canyon stretch.

As did Williams, Strasser Kauffman noted that the citizens' committee has focused primarily on the Via Petra-Robinson Canyon segment, but that similar studies would be required to plan improvements on the road in the east part of the Valley. "A lot of work still has to be done for the east Valley," Strasser Kauffman said, "and I hope citizens will step forward to get it started."



SHOWING WHERE DEVELOPMENT has occurred in Carmel Valley are Nick Nichols of the County Public Works Department and Alan Williams, president of Carmel Development Co. Williams and Fran Farina, members of a citizens' committee, appeared before the Carmel Valley Village Improvement Comittee Friday to discuss Carmel Valley Road improvements. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

On June 8, the supervisors were scheduled to take up the issue of development fees imposed last year after the trigger mechanism in the master plan dictated that action be taken toward providing road improvements.

Both Strasser Kauffman and Farina emphasized that no final decisions been made on the design of road improvements and none would be finalized until after public hearings on the overall issue.

Williams displayed a map showing the locations in the Valley where discretionary permits had been issued for construction since the master plan was approved in 1986. He said they were dispersed throughout the Valley, but if there were any real concentration, "it is right here in front of us." He gestured toward the Village from the Ridge Restaurant, which overlooks it.

Williams suggested that many of the discretionary permits were for remodels and renovation and not for new houses. He said for the most part, the committee's research had failed to find a single identifiable reason why the so-called traffic triggers in the master plan had been pulled by a loss of Level of Service (LOS).

Williams said records showed that 400 to 500 lots of record remained to be built upon in the Valley, but he predicted that one-third of those never would be utilized. He cited the experience of Ed Haber with his Quail Meadows subdivision, which he said provided only 60 percent of the allowable lots. He also cited Clint Eastwood's proposed Cañada Woods, which he is overseeing, noting that it proposes to create only 44 lots out of an allowable 128 in the master plan.

Further, Williams said the Planning Department was doing a computer analysis to try to determine which of the remaining lots of record could be built upon, considering grade, septic, water and other restriction.

"For the first time, we're going to have an accurate number on what's out here," he said, predicting the number of lots of record that are found to be buildable will be between 350 and 400.

"We'll never get to optimum buildout." he added. "Others will probably also do less."

He said some federal highway guidelines would require four-laning on Carmel Valley Road, but added that the committee was looking for a solution to traffic congestion "defined by real need, not the federal highway manual."

CVVIC to Support Los Laureles Lodge Permit For Outdoor Music

Members of Carmel Valley Village Improvement Committee (CVVIC) expressed support for Los Laureles Lodge's attempt to win a permit for music at outside parties in the face of complaints from some of its neighbors.

"We are dependent on parties to make ends meet," said Glenn Gurries, operator of Robles Del Rio Lodge and a CVVIC member. "Business is inconsistent in Carmel Valley. Most of us lose money in the off season. It is unreasonable not to have outside music."

Jim Fitch, an operator of Holman Ranch which also hosts weddings and other parties, agreed, saying such parties "benefit everybody in the Village area."

Members voted unanimously to have CVVIC write a letter to the Board of Supervisors in support of the use permit sought by Los Laureles Lodge. Member Roger Williams said that Zoning Administrator Dale Ellis had hired a sound expert to study the problem, and the supervisors tentatively were scheduled to take up the application May 13.

He said neighbors above the resort had complained about music at outside weddings and parties around the pool being too loud. Williams noted that he lived directly across Carmel Valley Road and did not find the noise excessive.

He and other members also noted that for four years, Los Laureles Lodge had hosted CVVIC's Village Affair, which has raised more than $100,000 to build pathways in the Village.

Chairwoman Leslie Voss said she understood that 25 neighbors had gone on record opposed to the outside music, while just three had registered support.

Williams said he also understood that the sound travelled more readily up the hill toward the homes overlooking the lodge near the west end of Carmel Valley Village.

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Computers Aid Results

Village Orthodontist Is Global Teacher

By Carolyn Rice

Maurice Corbett, a Carmel Valley Village orthodontist, may hold some sort of local record for his work commute. About one week a month, Corbett is off to Germany, France, Japan or Mexico to teach the newest ways to straighten teeth.

Known as Maury, Corbett said he has taught 5,000 students since 1974 who have come from all 50 states and 14 foreign countries.

Corbett, a 1959 University of California-Berkeley dental surgery graduate, practiced in San Jose for 29 years. He was touring in Carmel Valley in 1981, fell in love with the area and moved to Carmel Valley Village where he set up a practice in a charming historic house built in 1867. Originally a foreman's house on the old Boronda Ranch, Corbett's office has also been a restaurant and apartment, he said.

He turned the huge old restaurant stove into a counter in his lab. "It was too large to move out," he explained.

Corbett has practiced orthodontics since 1973 and combined his practice with teaching. "Teaching and practice go hand in hand," he said. "You can't teach unless you practice. You lose your credibility." Corbett taught at the University of California-San Francisco from 1963-69.

Ancient Egyptian writings tell about the practice of moving teeth, Corbett said. The present day practice of orthodontics which started during the 1920s has changed rapidly in recent years thanks to computer programs, Corbett said.

"A lot of diagnostic techniques have been developed using computer technology." For instance, he takes pictures of a patient and then on a computer screen, Corbett changes the shape of his patient's face to show how he or she will look after orthodontic treatment.

"The lips move, the chin moves," he said. Corbett said about eight such computers which dentist use to picture a patient's face before and after braces are now in existence.

A child's future growth also can be determined by computer programs, Corbett said. "I can grow a face from age 7 to 18 years. And I can show a family what a face will look like if we do nothing. These techniques allow you to make more accurate decisions." Corbett said he also can determine whether future growth of a child will create enough room for his or her teeth or whether teeth need to be extracted for the best results.

The ossification of bone in a child's wrist can be used to determine the skeletal age of a child, Corbett said. At age 7, future growth projections based on bone ossification are fairly accurate, he said.

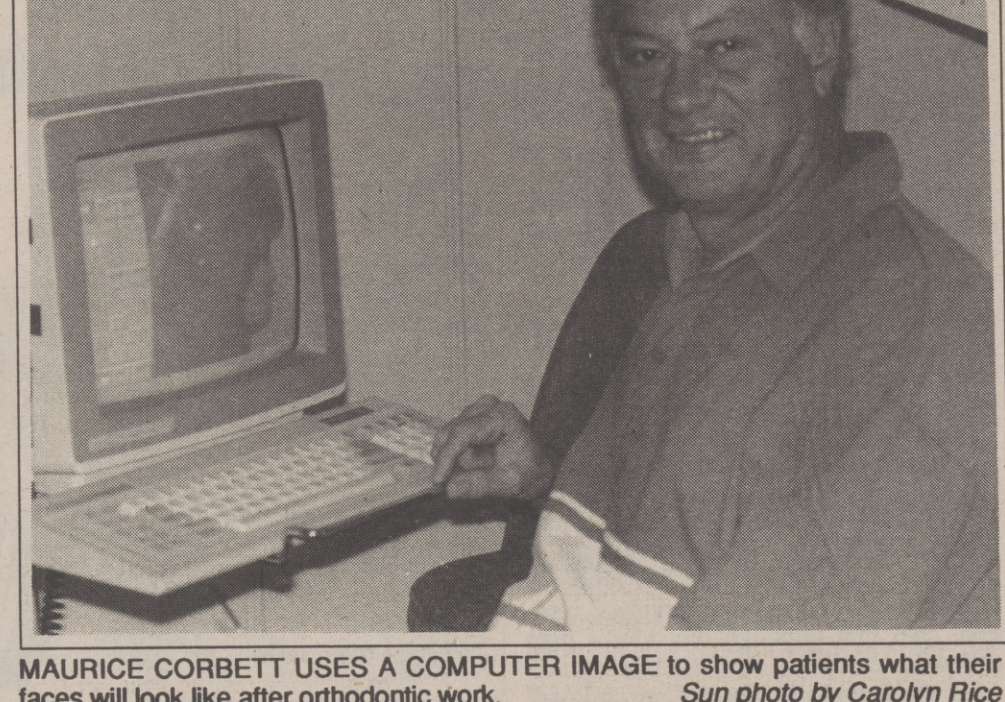
Corbett said he and two other instructors who work for a nonprofit organization, Foundation for Advanced Continuing Education, travel to the foreign countries where they teach the new orthodontic techniques to groups of about 200 dentists.

Corbett also uses a new method of straightening teeth called elastodontics. With this process a patient wears an elastic mouthpiece at night and for a few additional hours during the day to straighten teeth instead of the traditional metal braces that are semi-permanently attached.

The mouthpiece is a new development which has come along in the last five or six years, Corbett said. He said it can be used on about 50 percent of his patients. "It wouldn't work for everyone," he said.

It's popular with adults and children because they can go to work or school without wearing any appliance, he said.

Different dentists have various appliances they prefer for straightening teeth, and Corbett said there is no right or wrong way. "I tell dentists they can use barbed wire and chicken feathers if it works," Corbett joked. But the point is, he said, pressure has to be applied to teeth to make them move.



MAURICE CORBETT USES A COMPUTER IMAGE to show patients what their faces will look like after orthodontic work. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

"Most people come in when they see crowding," Corbett said. But sometimes dentists refer patients as young as 4 or 5 when they detect a crossbite problem. Corbett said it is ideal when orthodontists can start a child's treatment at a young age.

One interesting patient Corbett treats is a professional woman golfer who comes four times a year from Japan. "I told her I could refer her to a competent Japanese dentist, but she still comes here," he said.

Corbett said he gets people to be an active participant in their treatment and "things happen fast. It can be a fun type of thing," he said.

"I always liked going to the dentist. I wanted to be a dentist since I was 7," said Corbett, who also serves as president of the Carmel Valley Kiwanis club.

Corbett said he wore braces and headgear himself in 1947. Although some dentists still use headgear and there is nothing wrong with it, Corbett said he prefers not to use it. "I wore it myself and did not like it," he said. About 20 years later, he asked his father how much the braces had cost. Without a second of hesitation, his father replied, "$1,450—the same price as a new car."

Corbett said braces now cost $2,500 to $3,500 or as high as $10,000 when patients also need surgery. Comparing the cost of having braces during the 40s to the cost presently, Corbett said braces "have become a much better consumer buy."

Corbett said some patients may have to decide whether they want to spend their money on a boat or orthodontics, saying families usually spend discretionary dollars on braces. His reward is watching patients become proud of their smile and appearance, he said.

Most of his patients are from the Valley because people like to have an orthodontist who lives near them, Corbett said, but he does have some San Jose customers who have followed him to the Valley.

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Focus Group for Zoning Issue?

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poll that survey asked wide-ranging questions about issues throughout Monterey County.

Jim Wright, head of Citizens Against Rezoning, said, "I don't know anything about it, but I fully expect big money will be spent (in the campaign)." He said he doubted his committee would plan such a thing without telling him.

"I understand there was a phone call survey about a month ago," Wright said. "I understand that 100 random phone numbers were called asking if people knew about rezoning, did they favor it or not and why."

Wright also noted that Voice of Carmel was doing a mailed survey. The Voice poll mailed two weeks ago urged Carmelites to vote on the zoning issue but did not comment on it, and its questions did not refer to the controversy.

Pat Sippel, president of Voice of Carmel, said her group was not behind the focus request. Sharon Lawrence, spokesperson for Yes for Carmel!, a new group formed to fight for the zoning ordinance, laughed, "We can't afford anything like that."

Linda Anderson, a member of the board of the Carmel Residents Association (CRA), said it had nothing to do with the calls.

Toni Jepson, executive director of the Carmel Business Association, said, "I don't know anything about it."

One of the pollsters identified herself as Deborah Defak and said she was calling for Communication Technologies.

The pollsters began their calls by asking if the recipient was interested in attending a focus group at the Carmel Mission Inn at 4 or 6 p.m. April 15, concerning residents in Carmel.

If the recipient said they were interested, then they were asked a number of screening questions such as whether they were a registered voter and if they voted in the last election and will they vote in the June election.

People were also asked if they realized that Measure H, the zoning ordinance, would be on the ballot June 8 and how they would vote if the election were held today. Then they were asked to disclose their age and household income.

Anderson, one of those who was called, said she told the caller she was undecided, but the pollster said she would have to check with her supervisor when Anderson refused to give out any personal data, saying, "It's none of your business."

"Then she told me, 'Our undecideds are almost full. We'll have to get back to you'," Anderson laughed.

Wright said Citizens Against Zoning was starting some neighborhood meetings to explain the ordinance. "We're seeing misinformation being published in letters to the editor and fliers," he said. "I'm not saying people are distorting the facts. It's a difficult ordinance. It is technical."

Yes for Carmel! planned its first meeting at Mission Ranch from 2 to 5 p.m. on Sunday to support the ordinance.]

The CRA, meanwhile, issued a press release stating that its 13-member board of directors was urging all residents to vote against the ordinance.

"The expansion of tourist-serving businesses would result in increased traffic and parking problems affecting negatively the residential neighborhoods," said President Beth Wright, wife of Jim Wright.

"The board concluded that any merit the ordinance might have was more than offset by the over-commercialization of the buffer zone and the harmful impact on the residential character of Carmel."

Beth Wright said that a telephone survey of CRA members last November, found that 77 percent opposed allowing additional retail uses in the Resident Commercial zone.

Carmel Anti-Zoning Forces Will Speak to Neighborhood Groups

Citizens Against Rezoning, the group that has led the fight against Carmel's controversial commercial zoning ordinance, would like to participate at any neighborhood meetings on the issue.

President Jim Wright said any groups interested in having a representative of the group address them should call 625-0538.

ABOUT 100 PEOPLE turned out Friday to meet Jere Kersnar, new city administrator of Carmel-by-the-Sea at a reception given at Sunset Community Center. Among those greeting Kersnar was former Mayor Jean Grace, below.

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April 22, 1993
3:30 PM and 7:30 PM
Monterey City Council Chambers

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
III. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS
IV. PUBLIC HEARING
A. Reception of Public Comment on Supplemental Draft EIR/EIS-II on the Long-Term Water Supply Project.
V. ADJOURNMENT

Copies of supplemental information to be reviewed at the meeting will be available on April 19, 1993, at the Distric office. The SDEIR/EIS-II can be viewed at the District office and local libraries, or it can be purchased from the District. For more information call 649-4866.

MORE LETTERS

A Solution for the Day Laborers?

I believe I have the solution to the day laborers' lack of toilet facilities in Carmel Valley Village. It's a solution that won't require an expensive, drawn-out bureaucratic involvement. But before I offer the solution, let's define just how large the need is. Taking the worst-case scenario, only occasionally are those 70 workers seeking employment on Pilot Road at any one time. It's not unreasonable to expect that half of those get hired within an hour of their arrival. That leaves 35 that could possibly wait around a half a day. Three-quarters of those (26) could reasonably expect to want the use of as toilet before departing. A half dozen of these know of, at least, two businessmen who allow them the use of their toilet, although the provider prefers that this information not be widely known.

That leaves the worst-case scenario of 20 job seekers in need of a toilet. With the many businesses in the Village offering toilet facilities to paying customers, 20 flushes more per day on the existing systems is not an insoluble problem. Now the solution!

We, the homeowners, merchants and contractors who reap the benefit of having instant labor services provided at 50 percent reduced rates, should (because it is in our own interests) pay a token service fee to those merchants willing to participate in a program to provide toilets in order to provide our cut-rate labor pool intact. This could be accomplished by a representative of the Chamber of Commerce soliciting donations from those of us as we make our labor pick ups. These funds could be held in trust at the Chamber office and toilet tickets could be provided and distributed to the merchants on Pilot Road. The day workers would be informed where to obtain free tickets and who the participating merchants are that have available toilet facilities. Ticketholders will then exchange their ticket for a key to the rest room. And in return, the participating businessman will redeem the equivalent money value printed on the ticket in cash to offset their added water, cleaning and septic system costs. Donations could be solicited from other sources also.

Jack Arnold
Carmel Valley

A Happy Mayor on Sunset Center

Congratulations to the residents of Carmel-by-the-Sea! It was through their eloquent expression of support for the preservation and renovation of our Sunset Center Theater Complex on April 6 that the City Council was moved to unanimously endorse the recommendations of the hard-working Sunset Center Task Force and take the first step on a path that promises to lead to an exciting and rewarding conclusion.

It seemed clear that not only the 23 citizens who addressed the Council that night, but the remainder of the capacity crowd as well, shared a common commitment to the preservation of the cultural heritage that is ours in Carmel-a heritage we will now preserve for our children and grandchildren.

The City Council's unanimous decision to begin the renovation of the Sunset Center Theater Complex by placing $30,000 into the 1992/93 budget was greeted with loud and sustained applause. And if one listens carefully, one can almost hear the quiet cheers of the founders of this special place, this place of art and artists joining in that chorus of approval of the Council's action.

Yes, these are difficult economic times. However, it is a sign of our community's strength and vitality that we have a strong conviction to work together toward the goal of saving a treasure which has, sadly, deteriorated greatly over the years.

Very preliminary estimates for the cost of the renovation are $3 million to $5 million. A very dedicated group of people, some of whom are willing to put some other parts of their lives on temporary hold to assure success of this project, is preparing a fund-raising program. The intention is to raise private-sector funds to complete the renovation rather than use taxpayer dollars.

It is important to note that the renovation of our performing arts theater will have a positive effect on our future City budgets by greatly reducing maintenance and repair projects that would otherwise have to be undertaken in the near future. Further, an upgraded facility will allow the presentation of upgraded cultural activities, thereby attracting greater visitor attendance and the concomitant increased activity in the City's commercial district.

To those who may have had concerns about this project, I urge you now to become a part of this exciting effort. Join us in preserving a treasure of our community, in planning and building a tomorrow for which our children and grandchildren will thank us—or, if I may borrow a choice phrase from a recent newspaper editorial, join us in creating a "Sunrise at Sunset."

Ken White,
Mayor of Carmel

The Line Held for 60 Years

Go look over Carmel's 7th Avenue carefully. Walk into the shops in question. See for yourself, the busy grocery store at the northeast corner of 7th and San Carlos. Know why this property owner is content, leaving this resident tourist serving business to his heirs as it stands, for their lifetime steady income.

The zone line on 7th, commercial on the north side, resident commercial on the south side, held safely for over 60 years. In 1984, the council under Mayor Townsend decided to take away the commercial zone and give it to the Carmel Plaza. No vote was taken then, not even a notice, explanation or more appropriate, an apology for downzoning, thus devaluing these property owners' land.

Several landowners held off lawsuits, truly believing our elected officials would be fair and return the zoning. It took 2-1/2 years of careful study. Our 1992 council did just that. What a sorry, sick state of affairs that this same 1984 council is still holding our village hostage trying to force their will on us and run our village.

These people would not be voted into office again were they to run. They did not allow a vote on this very important decision in 1984. Yet here we all are, still allowing these few people to manipulate and destroy our village tranquility, all unnecessarily.

Strange, that the two leaders fronting for the "no" vote are renters in our village. One made over $1 million when he sold the *Pine Cone*. The value of his paper, his 'stock in trade,' was built from the very business community. He brazenly attacked the business community countywide. The two 'no' leaders have nothing to lose, do they?

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Grants Seek Funds for CV Village Pathways, Odello Farm Purchase

Monterey County has applied for federal transportation grants totaling $9.57 million, seeking funds to purchase the Odello family's artichoke field east of Highway 1 and up to $300,000 for expanded pathway construction in Carmel Valley Village.

The Carmel Valley Village Improvement Committee (CVVIC) applied for two grants to expand its pathways construction in Carmel Valley Village.

The first was for $30,000 and would require CVVIC to put up matching funds. If successful with that initial request, the $60,000 in turn would be used to seek a $300,000 grant, according to CVVIC Chair Leslie Voss.

All the requests were filed under the Transportation Enhancement Act and Transportation Development Act, created by Congress in 1991 to provide $200 million over six years for "transportation enhancement activities."

County supervisors endorsed both CVVIC's requests for pathways and the Big Sur Land Trust's request for money to help buy the Odello property in approving a package of grant applications on March 30.

Other projects for which funds were sought were construction of a bicycle path between Marina and Castroville and the acquisition of 111 acres of viewshed near Big Sur's Pfeiffer Point.

The grant request for the Odello artichoke fields seeks $7.92 million toward a total purchase price of $9 million. The Big Sur Land Trust noted that it had loaned the Odellos $1.35 million to gain an option to buy the property. But it said the family would proceed with plans for an 82-unit subdivision if the purchase does not work out.

Nick Nichols of the County Public Works Department, which coordinated the requests, noted "we have competitors" for the federal money, adding it would be at least a month before the results of the applications would be known.

Because the initial $30,000 CVVIC request would require the group to put up matching funds, Voss told the monthly CVVIC meeting Friday that additional work on pathways was "in a holding pattern."

Peter Coakley, former chair of the group, asked if federal strings would come attached to the grants, should they be approved, which would dictate how the pathways would be constructed.

Nichols said a lot of detail about the administration of the grants still had to be worked out.

Noting that the pathways in the Village are meandering and informal, Coakley said they are "clearly different than curbs and gutters and streets."

"As far as the county is concerned, we want to do it your way," Nichols said. "We'd like for you to do it all," including administering any grant money.

"I think there's always an opportunity to back away" if federal requirements are not acceptable to CVVIC, Nichols said.

The CVVIC application noted that it has raised an average of $28,000 a year with its four annual Village Affair fundraisers. All of the money for the pathways, which now tie Rippling River to the Community Center on the West, have been provided by CVVIC except for a total of $21,000 in Transit Occupancy Tax (TOT) funds received from the county.

The application, signed by Voss and Coakley, outlined a five-year proposed expansion of pathway construction which included:

- 560 feet, Ford Road, Via Contenta to the Community Center.
- 2,700 feet, Via Contenta, from Ford Road to the Post Office.
- 1,350 feet, El Caminito, both sides from Via Contenta to Carmel Valley Road.
- 450 feet, Carmel Valley Road and Flight to Poppy Road.
- 750 feet, Esquiline Road from Carmel Valley Road to Rosie's Bridge.
- 5,400 feet, Paso Hondo, from Carmel Valley Road to the Little League field.
- 2,025 feet, Village Drive loop, to connect with Carmel Valley Road and serve the shops in Village Center.
- 1,800 feet, Pilot Road, both sides from Carmel Valley Road to Via Contenta.
- 2,700 feet, Carmel Valley Road, on the south, connecting Chambers Lane with Ford Road.

The application, noting that the average linear foot cost of the pathways has been $35, estimated that those segments would account for some 17,735 feet and cost about $620,725.

The application also listed longer range plans which included:

- 4,200 feet, Carmel Valley Road from Ford to Boronda Road.
- 4,650 feet, Boronda Road to Garzas and east to the end of Garzas at the Trail & Saddle Club.
- 8,550 feet, Carmel Valley Road, from Boronda to Garland Park.

The application said the longer-range projects would entail some 17,400 feet and cost an estimated $609,000.

In its application, CVVIC said the pathways provided for increased pedestrian safety and accessibility for wheelchair-dependent residents and those otherwise disabled. It noted that the 82 residents of Rippling River included disabled and elderly people who do not drive.

In its application for funds for the Odello purchase, the land trust said the acquisition "provides important public health and safety benefits," specifically noting that, if kept undeveloped, the artichoke fields "can be used as a critical flood control area for potential flooding from the Carmel River."

JENNIFER SCUDDER of Prunedale gives her mount a hug Saturday before taking part in Four Winds Pony Club Easter competition at the Trail & Saddle Club. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

Long Laments Low Turnouts on Dam

Chairman Ken Long of the water management district expressed disappointment that so few residents showed up for workshops on the environmental impact report prepared to try to win approval of a new Los Padres dam.

He made the comment after a third session Monday night at the Crossroads Community Room, which was attended by just two men not associated with either the district or Cal-Am. Long said that probably no more than a total of a dozen people had attended the three workshops.

"I don't know where the other people are," he said. He said the district had spend "hundreds of thousands of dollars... maybe even a million" in preparation of the EIR, a three-volume set formally known as the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Report and Statement II for a long-term water supply project.

It concludes that a new 24,000-acre-foot Los Padres dam, either alone or teamed with a 3-million-gallon-a-day desalination plant on Monterey Bay, is the best long-term solution to increased water supplies for the peninsula.

Long noted that residents interested in the project still can comment at two public hearings April 22, at 3:30 and 7:30 p.m., in the Monterey Council Chambers. Alternatively, he said they can provide written comments either to the district or to the Army Corps of Engineers.

One of the two men who attended Monday night's meeting, noting that a vote is set on the desal plant for June 8, asked when the district planned to hold an authorizing election for the proposed dam. Told that if everything works smoothly it could be as early as early 1995, he replied that unforeseen delays like will occur.

"The Indian groups may take you to court," he said. "Some other group may take you to court."

Henrietta Stern, senior project coordinator for the district, said the water management district is working with Esselen groups concerned about the inundation of historic cultural sites by a larger Los Padres reservoir.

"We're trying to preclude future problems," she said, explaining that the district was working with Indian groups to try to find "suitable mitigation measures."

Final cost estimates have not been completed for the proposed dam, but it is expected to cost around $100 million, compared to some $33 million for the desal plant.

Asked about the likely outcome of the desal election, Long said, "Bond issues generally are a hard sell. I think desal and the dam will both be hard sells—the dam maybe more so because it costs so much."

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The furniture made famous by Frank Lloyd Wright, Gustav Stickley and Greene & Greene, who were among those foremost in the Arts and Crafts Movement between 1910 and 1930, will be featured April 25 during an historic tour of the three largest hotels in Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Called "The Good Life," it is the second annual tour organized by Kate Rayne and Enid Sales to raise money for the Carmel Architectural and Historic Survey, a volunteer group working toward historic preservation in the village.

Sales, who has sparked the city's move for historic preservation, was excited about the display of furniture, including traditional "Carmel Cottage" style pieces. "The thrust of the tour is the furniture that is appropriate for the old houses here," she said.

Many of Carmel's early cottages still contain such furniture, according to Sales. A display of Shaker reproduction furniture by local artisan Ambrose Pollock will represent furniture which Sales said was similar to that developed on the West Coast.

On the tour will be The Pine Inn on Ocean Avenue at Lincoln, Cypress Inn at Lincoln and Seventh Avenue and La Playa at Camino Real and Eighth Avenue plus its Cottages-by-the-Sea which La Playa acquired a few years ago to accommodate larger groups.

Volunteers from the Carmel Women's Garden Club will discuss local planting traditions and successes at Cottages-by-the-Sea gardens. Local decorators Courtney Brunn, Councilwoman Barbara Livingston and Richard Rombach will act as docents on the tour.

As it did last year, The General Store/Forge in the Forest Restaurant, itself an historic site, will serve a complimentary European-style brunch from 10:30 a.m. to noon when the three-hour, self-guided tour begins. Tickets are $15 and can be purchased in advance or on April 25 at any of the hotels or at the restaurant.

The Bark House, owned by Dorothy Cone Moore at 13th and Monte Verde, is one of the historic houses cited by Sales that contains furniture that was commonly found in the early houses. It is furnished today in much the same manner as when it was built by Mrs. Moore's mother in 1922.

Another historic Carmel house with early furniture, Sales said, was the Dormody House at Dolores and 12th. The house built by architect Charles Greene as a studio in 1923 is owned by his son, Thomas Gordon Greene, and furnished with much of his father's original furniture. It is on the west side of Lincoln between 13th and Santa Lucia. Furniture by the Greene & Greene firm will be featured on the tour in a new book.

Besides Pollock's work, there will be furniture and accessories displayed by the Carmel firms of Carmel Bay Company, Caspia Flowers and Fine Goods and Trotter's Antiques.

From the San Francisco Bay Area, there will be exhibits by Thomas Moser, Cabinetmakers; Shears and Windows; The Berkeley Mill and Furniture and Arts and Crafts Period Textiles.

The Berkeley Mill and Furniture currently has furniture in an exhibit of the Arts and Crafts Movement in California called "Living the Good Life" at the Oakland Museum, Sales said.

Although the movement was started by Wright in the mid-west, Sales said it became primarily a California movement.

Ted Bosley, curator of the Gamble House in Pasadena, will be signing his new book, "Gamble House: Greene & Greene," during the tour. Pat Hathaway will appear with his book, "California Views," and Thunderbird Books at the mouth of the Valley and Richard Hilkert, Bookseller, Ltd., of San Francisco also will participate.

Sales said the Adirondack-style furniture of the east and Shaker furniture, which Pollock builds, "goes very well with these old houses and come from a similar period."

The Pine Inn, Carmel's grand dame of hotels, was built in 1887 as the Hotel Carmelo at Ocean Avenue and Junipero and moved to its current site 16 years later. Young M. J. Murphy, the local contractor who gained fame as a master builder, helped with the project.

The lobby of the hotel still looks much as it probably did in 1915 although the hotel has been undergoing a major facelift to celebrate its 90th year at Lincoln and Ocean.

Cypress Inn was designed by the architectural firm of Blaine & Olson in 1929 and started life as La Ribera Hotel. It was originally built for Dr. R.A. Cocher. Sales said it was once owned by Bruce and Lou Fenton who sold it to Carol McKee. The Spanish/Mediterranean-style building is now owned by Doris Day and her son, Terry Melcher, and Dennis Levett of Pebble Beach, Sales said.

The Pine Inn was once owned by Alice and Harrison Godwin who also owned and remodeled La Playa which still has some of its original features when it was built as a private residence in 1902 by Chris Jorgensen, a Norwegian-born artist. Copies of his work still hang today in some of the guest rooms.

La Playa was purchased by Agnes "Alice" Signor who added about 20 rooms and turned it into a hotel in 1916. Her grandnephews were Harrison and Fred Godwin who joined her in the early 1920's to learn the hotel business. A fire destroyed much of the hotel but the brothers rebuilt and added 30 more rooms.

In 1968, Howard E. "Bud" Allen bought the hotel, introducing a full-time bar and sprinkler system for the expansive gardens. He sold it to the Cope family of San Francisco in 1983. Newton Cope, Sr., has a home at Pebble Beach and visits almost weekly. The five guest cottages across the road were purchased in 1989.

THE PINE INN, above, began life as the Hotel C Junipero and was rolled down the hill to Ocean Verde in 1903 to become the Pine Inn. Cypress In the ownership of Doris Day, the grand, old hotel wo

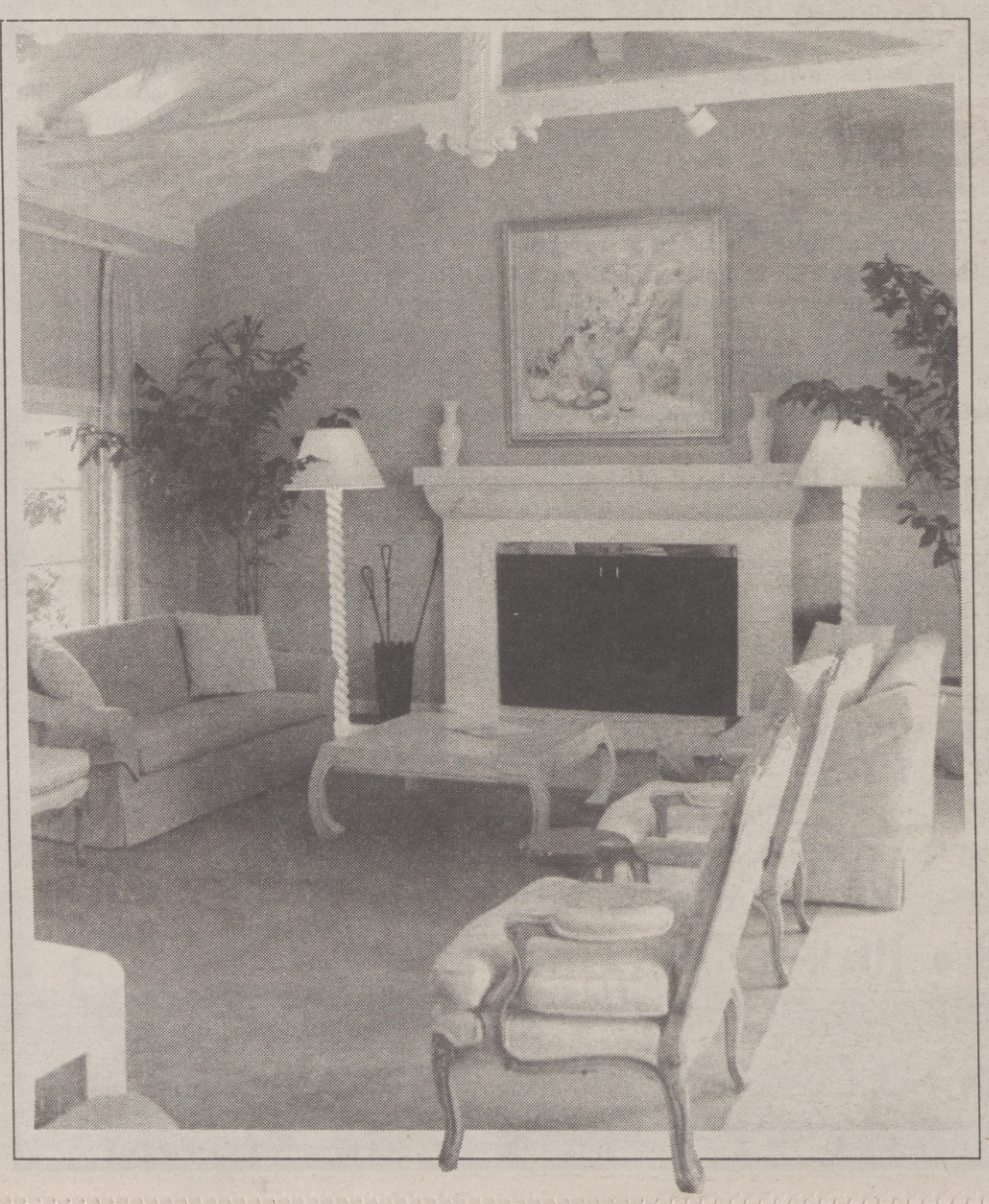
LA PLAYA HOTEL, above, was once a private façade still remains. Much of the original furniture by renowned architect Charles Sumner Gre welcomed members of the National Trust for Hist

Bosley Will Lecture at Library Park Branch

Edward Bosley, director of the Gamble House in Pasadena, will deliver a slide lecture April 26 at the Henry Meade Williams local history lecture at Carmel's Harrison Memorial Library Park Branch on Carmel resident Charles Sumner Greene.

Bosley, author of the recently published book, "Gamble House: Greene and Greene," will lecture on Greene's influence on the "Art and Craft of Architecture." Greene lived in Carmel from 1916 until his death in 1957. He and his brother were honored by the American Institute of Architects for "influencing and improving the design of small as well as great houses" and for making California "synonymous with simpler, freer and more abundant living."

Bosley will be signing copies of his book at the historic hotel tour in carmel April 25. His lecture, at 10:30 a.m. and again at 2:30 p.m., is made possible in part by a grant from the Frank and Eva Buck Foundation.



CYPRESS INN'S airy lobby is at left. A carved statute in the main salon of La Playa, above, carries out the hotel's mermaid theme.

Good Life"

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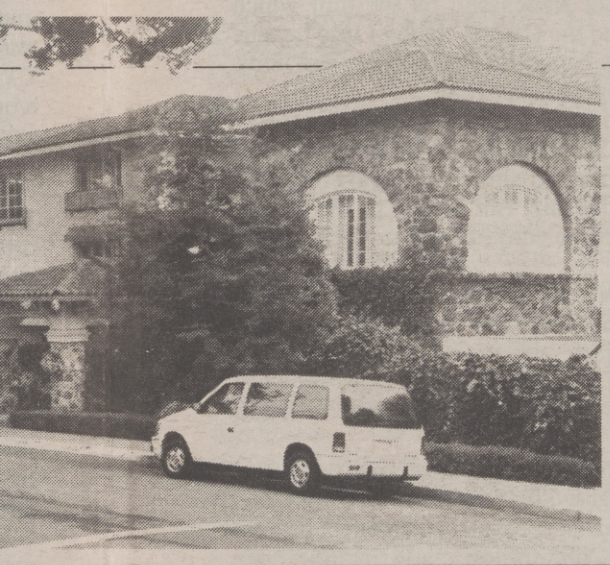
ine Inn. Cypress Inn, below, dates to 1929. Under
grand, old hotel welcomes pets.

LA PLAYA MANAGER TOM GLIDDEN, above, stands beside the log cabin that is one of the hotel's Cottages by the Sea. An early photograph, below, shows the rear of La Playa before the present dining room was remodeled and the round windows removed.

CAPTURED IN THE BEVELED GLASS door of the Pine Inn, above, is a woman guest walking on to Ocean Avenue.



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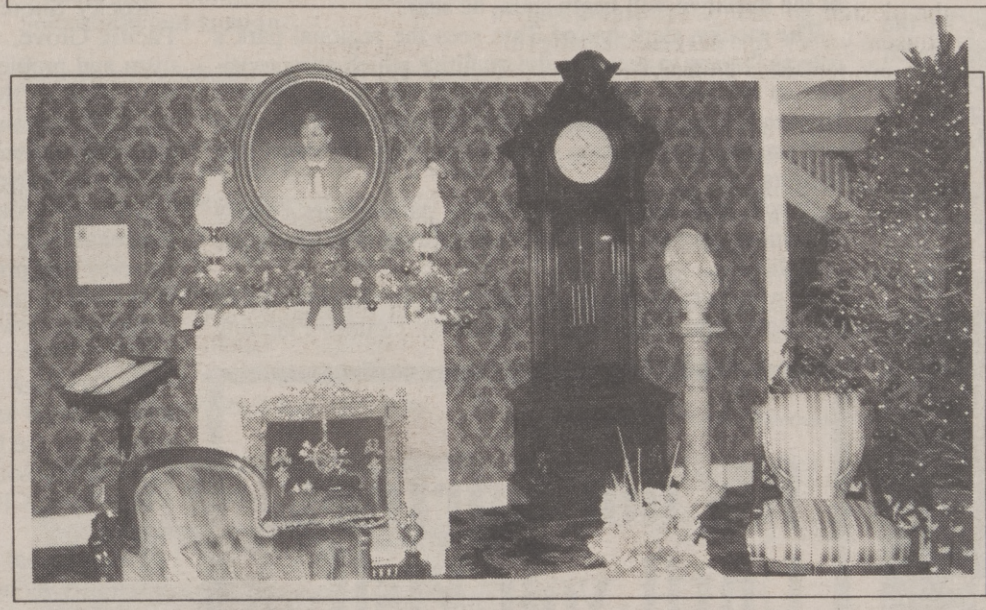
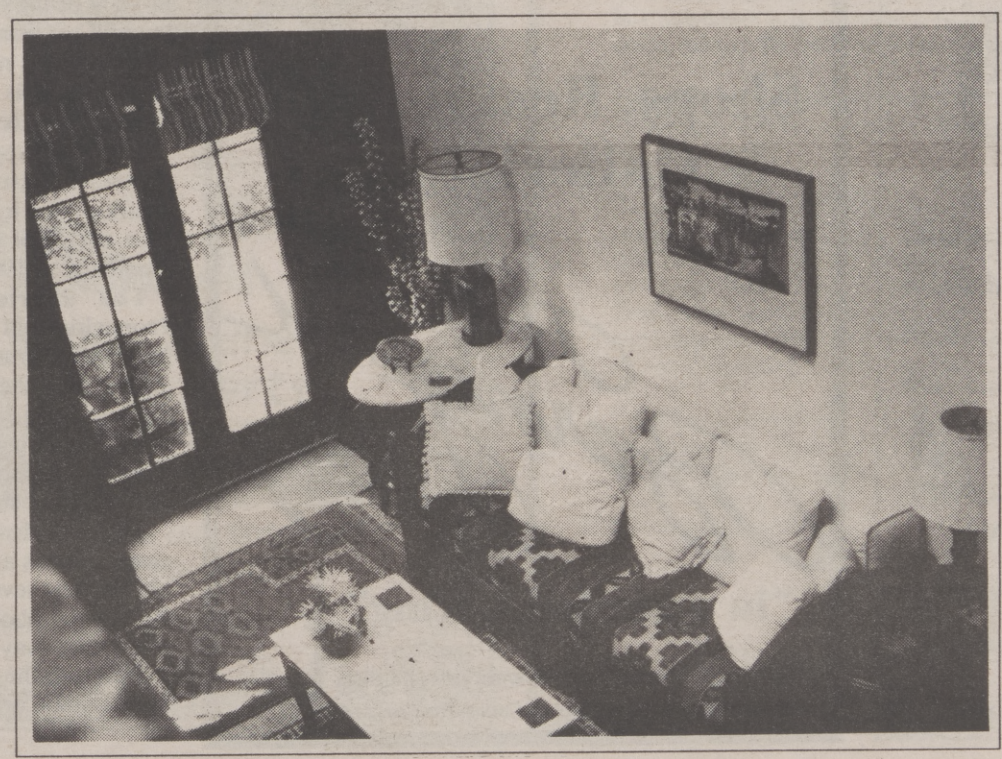


FILLED WITH ANTIQUES, the lobby in The Pine Inn, above, looks like a turn-of-the-century living room. Furniture that is typical of the Carmel cottage-style decorates the Bark House, below.



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Park District Celebrates 20 Years of Growth at Cost of $12 Million

By Carolyn Rice

Nearly 7, 000 acres and $12 million in taxpayer dollars after its birth by voter initiative, the Monterey Regional Park District celebrates its 20th anniversary April 24 with nature walks and a barbecue at its Garland Park headquarters in Carmel Valley.

Since its formation in 1973 and the initial acquisition of 541 acres from Bill Garland in 1975, the district's aggressive land acquisition policy has enlarged it to 7,250 acres. The district stretches from Marina south to Big Sur and east through Carmel Valley to Cachagua. The regional park's 20 projects in 20 years have touched many places within the district boundaries—Seaside, Marina, Pacific Grove, Monterey, Sand City, Big Sur and upper Carmel Valley.

The anniversary party will feature the dedication of the Cooper Ranch addition to the park at 4 p.m., nature walks at 2 and 3 p.m. and a barbecue at 5 p.m. served by the Carmel Valley Kiwanis Club at the historic ranch house which serves as the park's administrative center. There also will be trail maintenance projects from noon until 3 p.m. The park recently initiated an Adopt a Trail program and is looking for volunteers.

The 144-acre Cooper Ranch was purchased in 1990 for $1.2 million with $650,000 from Proposition 70 and the balance from local tax money.

Anniversary festivities will continue on May 1 with bands, conservation booths and nature hikes at Laguna Grande Regional Park in Seaside from noon to 5 p.m.

In an interview, District Manager Gary Tate made no apologies for the aggressive land acquisition policy. In fact, he said he believes it will serve the peninsula well in the future. "Tourism will be the most important economic base we have here especially with the closure of Fort Ord," he said, and a big part of the attraction for tourists is the peninsula's scenic, open space land.

Formed Jan. 1, 1973, following passage of a 1972 voter initiative, the district is run by an elected board of directors. Of 7,250 acres which are in the park some 6,000 are owned outright and the remaining 1,200 acres are within a scenic easement on the Carmel Valley Ranch, Tate said.

The first employee hired by the board, Tate said that when he started work in June of 1973, he didn't have an immediate vision for what the park district would become in the future. After its 20 years of major growth, Tate predicted growth will be slower in the future, but he said, "We'll still be looking at opportunities for expansion."

Tate watches carefully for chances to grow. At the Rancho San Carlos land use designation hearing March 31, he heard ranch naturalist Jeff Froke testify to the supervisors the ranch had plans for public trails. "I immediately wrote him a letter to ask him to explain what he envisioned," Tate said.

The availability of funding will place constraints on future land acquisitions, he said. But the district hopes for passage of a state park and wildlife bond act of 1994 which would provide $1.9 billion for parks statewide. The bond would set aside $10 million for Point Lobos expansion and $10 million for Monterey Bay Seashore acquisitions.

GARLAND PARK offers beautiful settings for recreation. *Sun file photo.*

"The big question is whether the voters will go for it," Tate said. "We just hope the economic climate will be better in the state by then." The signature-gathering phase of the initiative will begin soon, he said.

The stocky, dark-haired Tate sees the regional park's role as "trying to preserve the qualities which attract visitors to the area." He said the district tries to maintain a balance between preserving wildlife habitat and open space and providing recreation opportunities for residents and visitors.

People may think of establishing parkland as a fairly innocuous process, but Tate said it often becomes quite complicated.

A number of park projects have been marked by contentious hearings at Monterey County Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors meetings. One controversial project was the Mill Creek Preserve, a 1,340 acre parcel off Palo Colorado Canyon Road. Now approved by the county, the preserve was scheduled to open this summer, but opponents have lodged an appeal with the California Coastal Commission.

Rocky Shores, a three-acre ocean front property in Pacific Grove, was purchased during hectic public criticism and problems obtaining funding. A permit for bicycle riding in the Cooper Ranch and on the trail which connects Garland Park to the Carmel Valley Little League field also caused battles between bicycle riders and horse riders until bicycle riding was approved.

Coming from his former job with the East Bay Regional Park District, Tate said he was aware of the controversy and problems that go along with converting private lands to public ownership. But he said he did not envision just how much time some of the projects would take.

In October of 1990 the district came forth with an ambitious long term plan. The plan never has been adopted by the board, Tate said, primarily because of disagreements with Sand City over ocean front property which Sand City's land use plan designates for visitor serving use.

The regional park would like to have open land as a possibility along the Sand City coastline, Tate said, and the district is presently using a special amendment process in which the Coastal Commission could include open space as an option into the Sand City land use plan.

Asked how the park district could rationalize such action in view of the economic downturn, Tate replied, "I don't know if we want to sacrifice the beaches to bring in more tax base." He noted the Sand Dollar Shopping Center in Sand City has raised the tax base in that small city. "There has to be some kind of balance."

The Monterey Regional Park District is one of six regional park districts in the state, Tate said. It is one of the smaller ones in terms of its 150,000 population and tax base of 1/2 of 1 percent of the total property tax which amounted to $900,000 in 1992.

The district has also received money from Proposition 117 and Proposition 70. Proposition 117 provided $1.5 million annually for a 30-year period to be shared with the state park system. Commonly known as the mountain lion initiative, the money can be spent on Santa Lucia mountain land acquisitions but can also be used for preservation of rare and endangered species or restoration of stream habitats, Tate said.

The park district received the money for the first two years and has agreed the state parks will use it for probably the next seven years towards the proposed purchase of the Point Lobos Ranch for which negotiations are currently underway.

Tate said the park district is presently negotiating with Moo Land Corp. to buy the 35 acres it currently leases

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BRUSHSTROKES

By Anita DeCarlo

Pacific Grove Art Show Chooses Subject of Pestilence and Famine

The show at The Pacific Grove Art Center, titled "The Subject is Pestilence and Famine," is a successor to last year's "The Subject is War," and perhaps that means it is second in a series of "Subject" shows to come. I'm sure there are more horrors to be had.

Horror provoking outrage is the preconceived goal. Artists of the peninsula were invited to create conceptual art to reflect our unsound world and Nietzche was called upon to inspire: "To represent terrible and questionable things is, in itself, the sign of an instinct of power and magnificence in the artist."

I have to confess at the beginning that I am leery of "tions" and "isms"—and "als" with art being classified or typed, separated and given a name to isolate it from Art as a whole. I grant you there are lots of valid arguments to do this. It is a dichotomy for me that I wish to explain: I believe utterly in the uniqueness of the individual artist much as I believe in the uniqueness of the individual. But I equally believe in the commonality of all men and it is the commonality which should prevail not the superficial differences. Emphasizing the differences is what creates war, pestilence and famine.

A work of art represents the sum total of the artist's experiences— his uniqueness— in response to a stimulus. Everything we do however, is the next step in our series of experiences so we have to introduce the discipline, Art in order to separate a play from conversations, a dance from walking the dog, literature from a grocery list, painting from picking your nose. You get the picture.

Universal aesthetics. Whatever the "ism"—realism, impressionism, surrealism, expressionism, cubism, concrete art, abstract art, pop or op art, conceptual art and the hundreds of other isms all have a commonality of aesthetics. If they're Art.

All that preamble to toss "Conceptual" out of the sub-title of the show. Just go and see 96 or so different artists painting and sculpting in response to the given subject. Mostly. Some have pulled things out of the closet. The works themselves range the gamut of "isms."

Kira Corser's photograph, "Poacher's Kill," like all her social commentary work is both dramatic and subtle, and powerful because of that, in statement. What this photograph and all her social commentary photographs have in common with her "Other" photographs is a sublime sense of aesthetics. "Poacher's Kill" is a direct record of a visual stimulus influenced by the emotive and intellectual selective eye of the artist.

At the other end of the spectrum is Dick Crispo's "Somali Samsonite." The impact of aesthetics and image are equal—skulls are shaped into an aesthetic space that have as much meaning as their content in relation to the tones and texture of the rest of the canvas. It is a beautiful painting in its completeness of intent and execution. Crispo's emotional and intellectual involvement with subject evolves into paint as naturally as personality into handwriting.

Art is an instrument capable of directly recording inner experiences. More often than not. Whether we want to or not. ALL people have inner experiences and responses, feeling and thought. Some express through music, or dance, or words, painting or sculpting. Everyone through the fabric of their life.

A lot of what I saw here is not art. Images are there of hungry people, or dead ones, abstractions of violent color, or collections from a drawing class pasted together with no emotive impact. The aesthetics are missing. Nor did they touch me.

CNN's coverage of Somalia affected me more, gave me pain and tears, but that wasn't art either.

I am disappointed that the majority of the paintings and sculpture missed the mark, that there are both so few artful pieces and moving pieces. But I think a visit is important for the few that do work, for they are both successful aesthetically and as unique expressions of interpretive subject.

In addition to the two I've mentioned see how you respond to Susan Dorf's "Angel of Mercy," Berit Andersen Friedman's "Street Litter"—which is just superb, Carol Bowie's "Man With a Spoon" (located over the stairs), Susan Murray's "The Guardian," Robert Pacelli's "Somalia '92," and Janita Anderson's sculpture, "Pestilence." Sometimes less is more.

Photos Exhibited at High School

A photo exhibit which chronicles some of Carmel's early scenery, architecture and events will be on display at the Carmel High School Library throughout April.

The photos are from the Henry Meade Williams Local History Room of the Harrison Memorial Library in Carmel. They are some of the hundreds of historical photos from the library's collection.

The exhibit may be viewed Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

CAREFULLY PICKING UP AN EGG is Morgan Corona, 2, of Carmel Valley. She was one of many children who enjoyed the tradition egg hunt sponsored by the Carmel Valley Volunteer Fire Department. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

County Zoning Meetings Are Set

Residents will have a chance to review new section maps which outline land use designations in the Great Monterey Peninsula and Carmel Valley areas at two town hall meetings hosted by the Planning Department.

Meetings are set for 7 to 9 p.m. April 20 at the Carmel Middle School library and April 22 at the Monterey County Health Department conference room, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey.

The updated maps will combine all land use designations from area plans and the interim Title 21 zoning ordinance, including scenic, commercial or residential designations.

Ray Maculans, a county planner, said residents will be able to check the zoning placed on their property, and county staff will be available to answer any questions or receive any comments on the proposed changes.

"There have been some changes in visual sensitive areas," Maculans said.

The rezoning will finalize the interim Title 21 when it is approved by the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors.

The Planning Commission will take up the matter April 28 at 11 a.m.

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Garland Park Has 20th Anniversary

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connecting Garland Park with the Carmel Valley Little League field.

The district calls 3,394 acre Garland Park in Carmel Valley its showcase. It ranges in altitude from 168 feet above sea level in the Carmel River bed to 2,200 feet at Snively's Ridge.

Since the initial acreage was purchased, more land has been added through the years by other purchases, gifts or "bargain sales," Tate said.

Park Naturalist Nikki Nedeff said visitors who attend the 20th anniversary celebration could easily find 20 species of wildflowers in bloom, including lupine, poppies, shooting stars, fairy lanterns and fiesta flowers. And if they really look, they may spot as many as 50 species of birds, she said.

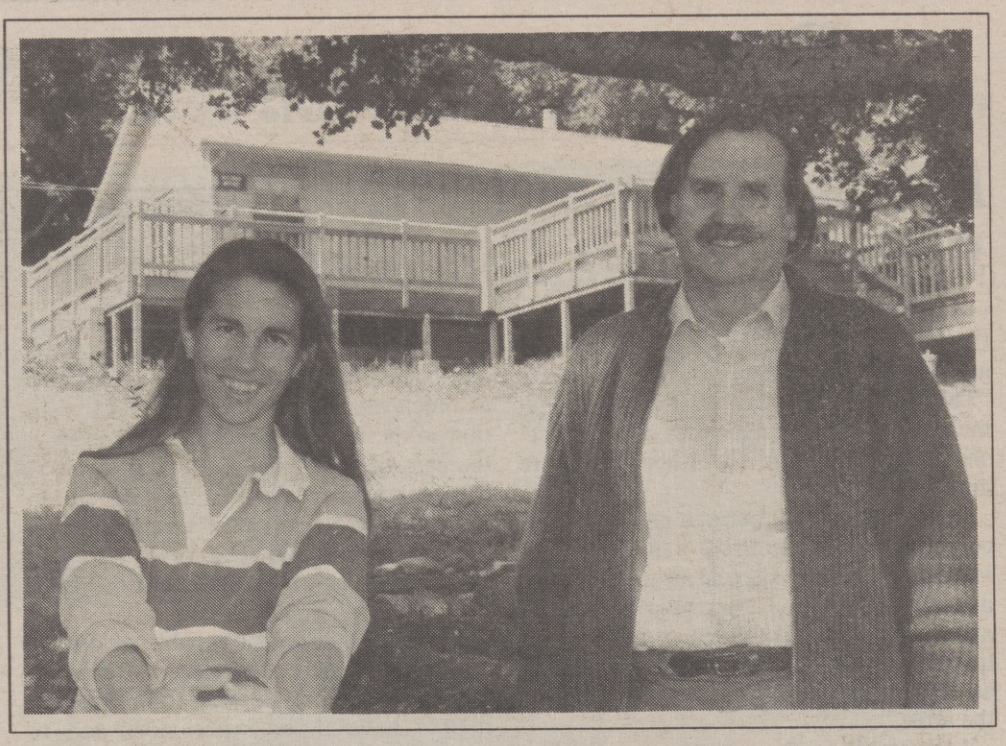
The riparian vegetation at the park is doing well, according to the stewards. The water table is high and the Carmel River was never completely dry there throughout the recent drought years, Nedeff said. "There was always a little bit of water in it during the drought." Both upstream and downstream from the park, it was a different story as in many areas the river bed was bone dry, she said. "It really is an important refuge for frogs, fish and birds."

Twenty-five miles of maintained trails offer hiking, riding and biking opportunities to park visitors with sights which range from grasslands, dense oak woodlands, a springtime waterfall and spectacular Monterey Bay vistas. Nedeff said park use has increased in recent years with the weekday use remaining fairly constant but weekend visits going up. "On Easter Sunday about 1:30 p.m. I counted 70 people from my immediate view in the park reception area," she said.

The park district has six full-time and two part-time staff. Besides the manager and naturalist, it employs three rangers.

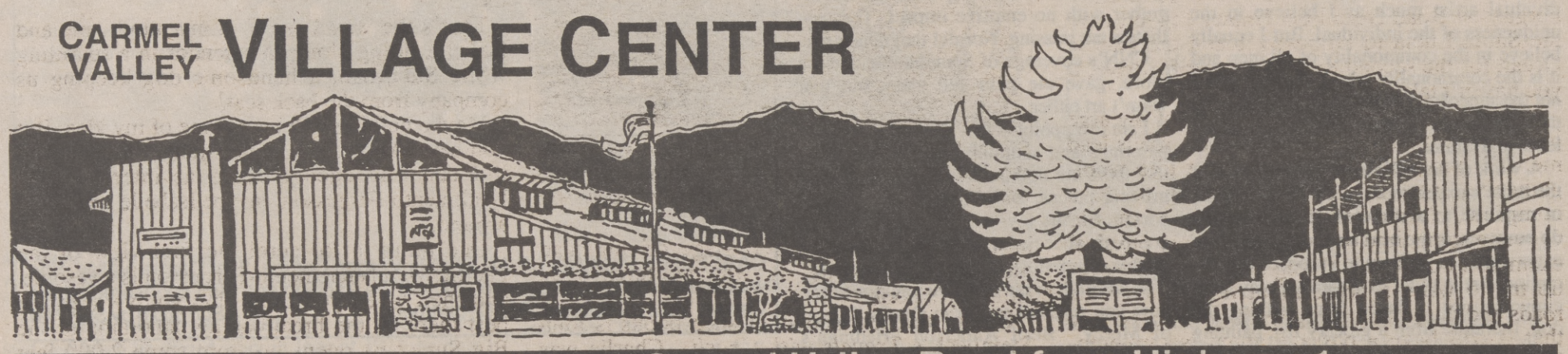
Celebration Reservations

For a reservation to the park anniversary barbecue at 5 p.m. April 24 send $5 per person to Robyn Buechel, P.O. Box 935, Carmel Valley, Ca., 93924. Make checks payable to the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District. Reservation deadline is April 20. Call 659-6062 if you have questions.



NATURALIST NIKKI NEDEFF AND general manager Gary Tate will be on hand at Garland Park April 24 to help celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District. The renovated Cooper ranch house, which is now the district's administrative headquarters, is in the background. Cooper Ranch will be dedicated as part of the ceremonies. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

CARMEL VALLEY VILLAGE CENTER



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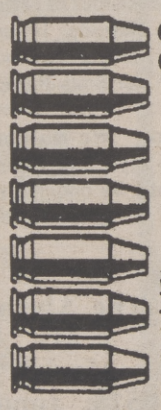

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OUT AND ABOUT

BY STAN HALL

For a long time now, I've had an idea in the back of my mind that some day I'd like to set off across the country in search of the essence of America and then write a book about it.

The idea would be to travel wherever my curiosity led me, having no set itinerary, making no motel reservations, going to the next place whenever the spirit moved me and staying on the road as long as I thought it took to get the job done.

That idea has become stronger recently for a couple of reasons.

First, I'm reading *The World Rushed In* by Carmel historian Jim Holliday about the 1849 gold rush and how it helped form the character of the state even today. The goldseekers' trek across the plains and the West's great mountains was excruciating.

They were lucky to make 20 miles each day in their oxen-drawn wagons, plagued by cholera, scurvy and the scarcity of food for their trail-weary teams. A book about retracing their routes could be very interesting.

Another reason I've been thinking about such a trip is that I recently drove Nacimiento-Fergusson Road from Fort Hunter Liggett over the Santa Lucia to Highway 1 and the Pacific Ocean for the second time. It's a terrific drive, if you haven't taken it.

Chances are nothing will ever come of my urge just to set out and drive wherever the roads lead me. It'll probably prove to be just idle wool-gathering, sort of like my wanting to do a complete, frame-off restoration of an old Corvette some time or trying to pass my physical exam so I could start flying again. But If I ever do try to write a book about this country, its roads and the people along them, you can be sure that it will have a passage about Nacimiento-Fergusson in it.

While most of us now live in towns and cities and do our long-range travel mainly on highways, big-city freeways and the Interstate, there still are many more miles of backroads and byways. I believe they usually lead to more interesting stories.

Maybe I'm wrong and maybe that view reflects my own rural biases, but I imagine finding the real America also might be easier on less-travelled roads, and Nacimiento-Fergusson is certainly that.

Less than 20 miles long, it takes just under an hour to drive it, as winding and scenic as it is, and in that time, we saw only about a dozen cars on a weekend afternoon two weeks ago.

After that trip, I learned from Donald Thomas Clark's magnificent *Monterey County Place Names* that the road is named for Nacimiento Creek and also in honor of 1st Lt. Robert Fergusson, a member of the 101st Airborne Division who died of wounds in Vietnam in November of 1967.

Nacimiento Creek, I also learned from Clark, was named by the Portola Expedition in 1769 because some of its members felt—mistakenly, it turned out—that its source (nacimiento, in Spanish) was just a short way from where they camped.

I also learned that Lieutenant Fergusson won the Distinguished Cross for bravery in Vietnam, but more detail about him will have to wait until I do write my book.

Of course, books about finding America by driving around it are not a new idea. Just recently, I finished *Out West,* in which author Dayton Duncan retraced Lewis and Clark's route

SEEN FROM NACIMIENTO-Fergusson Road, the Big Sur coast is enough to move some people to want to write a book. *Sun photo by Isabelle Hall*

in search of the Northwest Passage, driving in an old VW micro-bus. It was as terrific as Holliday's book.

One of the best known of such books is John Steinbeck's *Travels with Charlie*. Charlie was Salinas' most famous native's poodle, as you probably remember, and they drove around the country in a GMC pickup with a camper shell on it.

I think Steinbeck and Duncan had it right—if you're going to do such a book, you best do it from a truck. That would be easy for me—I've always liked trucks.

As a matter of fact, when I first went to work for General Motors back in 1972, light trucks weren't as popular for everyday use as they are now. The first time I showed up in my Chevy C10 pickup, the attendants in the executive garage weren't going to let me park there.

"GM executives don't drive trucks," said one rather disdainfully, hinting that if I were a real executive I'd be driving the biggest Cadillac. Little did he know how far ahead of my time I was; by the time I quit GM in 1988, at least half of the vehicles in the executive garage were trucks of some sort.

I must have been driven by this nascent wanderlust the other day when I told Isabelle that I had been thinking that maybe we ought to go look at one of GM's new Suburbans. She had just been on the field trip to Clint Eastwood's proposed Cañada Woods project and had seen lawyer Tony Lombardo's Suburban which seated 12 people. If you don't know, a Suburban is an oversized station wagon built on a big pickup chassis.

"What in the world do you want with a great big truck that seats 12 people?" she asked. "It's huge."

It is, but it would be the perfect vehicle for my trip. I didn't tell her that, though. I just mumbled something about a Suburban riding better than my little S10 Blazer.

You see, she is not too keen on my idea of driving willy-nilly around the country in search of a book.

She's very fussy about where we eat and where we stay when we go on motoring trips. Me, I like to just set out and go as far as I want to and then stop and find a place to stay. She likes to have a reservation at a place she knows will be clean and up to her standards. I figure I can put up with darn near anything, if it's just for one night.

Whenever I raise the idea of driving across the continent and back, she looks at me sort of funny and says, "Well, I don't know."

We've always done nearly everything together. We laugh sometimes that we're just "Tweedle-dum and Tweedle-Dee," doing nearly everything in tandem. That was always true, but it's doubly so since we moved out here and work together at the paper.

It sure wouldn't be as much fun if she didn't go. I've always figured she would, and that we would get another German Shepherd to go with us.

That's the way I see it in my mind—me and Isabelle riding along in splendor in a sparkling white Suburban, a handsome dog keeping us company from the back seat.

Maybe nothing will ever come of my idea. But you never know. I've done stranger things. And if I can find enough roads as interesting as Nacimiento-Fergusson, maybe Isabelle will come around.

One thing is for sure: the first view of the Pacific from Naciemento-Fergusson is awesome, and then when you think that you've seen the best there is, the breathtaking panorama of the Big Sur coast opens up from some 2,000 feet above it.

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BY DAVE LYON

My three favorite signs of Spring in Carmel Valley are 1) the deer come out of the woods and attack my yard; 2) my Golden Retrievers eat all the Easter candy, and 3) the Valley pool opens for the season and everyone starts thinking about the upcoming summer!

A big CVCYC "thanx" goes out to everyone who joined us two weeks ago for the big opening day splash at the Community Center "Country Club" pool! As the days here in Carmel Valley get warmer and longer, the pool becomes *the* place to be. And no, that opening day pizza will *not* be a regular feature, but last year's very popular snack bar will return.

Family swim passes are still on sale! Go see Debi at the CVCYC office on Ford Road and get your family pass today for only $175. This is a limited time offer! After the May 28 the cost goes up to $200. Don't be left out! A family pass allows the whole gang unlimited pool use for the entire swim season. Think of it as Club Med right in your own back yard.

Swim lesson registration has also begun. Call the CVCYC office at 659-3983 for info and sign-ups. The cost per session is only $35 for all you loyal CVCYC members, and $45 for the other 27 of you non-members (hey, good time to join!). Instructional swim levels will include pollywogs, beginners, advanced beginners, intermediates, pre-competitive, beginning and advanced diving, and life-guard training. Yes, something for everyone. There will also be an informal suntan class which will meet on any given day at the pool. No sign-up necessary. And remember, the Community Center pool is now open each and every weekend from now until school gets out. After that, it will be open all day, every day throughout the summer and into the fall!

Everyone seen our wonderful new gazebo? Go check it out, gang! The gazebo would make a wonderful setting for picnics, parties, (did someone say weddings?) or any sort of get-together you can imagine. Get in touch with the CVCYC office for info on how to reserve the park gazebo for the occasion of your choice.

Monte Carlo Night is just two weeks away! Mark your calenders, gang, for Saturday night, the first of May, and DO NOT miss this wonderful evening of fun and gambling at the Hidden Valley Music Center. This will be our 11th annual (can you believe that?) Monte Carlo Night, and each year gets bigger and better than ever! This is your once a year chance to get out for a night of gambling, games, prizes, excellent food and your shot at outstanding raffle items! Everyone gets dressed up and has a great time! This is an extremely popular night with all Valley locals, and the perfect chance to support your local Community Youth Center.

"Sounds like fun", I hear you say, "how can I get involved?" Good question! Call the Youth Center office at (you all have this memorized, right?) 659-3983 and talk to Debi or Karen about volunteering to help with this great event. Valley residents can also help by sponsoring a gaming table or slot machine: the names of all sponsors will be displayed unless otherwise requested. The best way to get involved is to come the night of the event, have a great time with all your friends and neighbors, and go home knowing you've done your part to support the Community Center of Carmel Valley.

Meanwhile, back at the ranch... there are great classes going on weekly at the Youth Center. RISING STAR GYMNASTICS, a great tumbling class for kids meets every Saturday morning from 9:45 'til noon. Ages 4-10 are welcome to join in! Call the Youth Center for info on the current session. This is a wonderful way for you kids to burn off some of that extra energy (not to mention that Easter candy...) and meet new friends while having a good time.

AND FOR ALL YOU BIG KIDS, there is a Karate class held each Tuesday and Thursday from 3:00 to 4:00 in the afternoon. If you ate one too many chocolate bunnies over the weekend, this is a great way to refocus your mind and body on more important things. (More important than chocolate?) If evening is a better time, check out the Aikido class, held on Wednesdays from 6:00-7:30 pm. A great way to end the day!

WITH WARM WEATHER on its way and the Carmel Valley Community Youth Center pool open for the season, more and more children are taking advantage of it. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

HISTORIC BAY SCHOOL on Highway 1 just north of Monastery Beach will celebrate its 114th birthday Saturday. *Sun file photo*

Bay School Fundraiser is Saturday

Bay School will celebrate its 114th Bay Day from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Saturday, the traditional fundraiser being saved when the State Parks Department reluctantly agreed to allow parking next to the school.

Now used as a preschool, the historic little red schoolhouse on Monastery Beach alongside Highway 1 south of Carmel won permission to park cars during Bay Day on the meadow immediately to the north after parents appealed to Parks Department officials.

They told William Fait, Monterey district parks superintendent, that the loss of the fundraiser, which raised some $10,000 last year, could spell the end of the school which was built in 1879 by whalers. Some parents also said they felt the Parks Department was punishing the school for opposing plans last year to build parking lots adjacent to the school.

Bay Day will feature children's games, pony rides, a barbecue, a baked goods sale, music, silent auction and a grand raffle.

Top prize in the raffle is a year's family membership at Carmel Valley Racquet Club, and 50 prizes donated by businesses and restaurants will be awarded overall.

Raffle tickets are $1 each, and all the proceeds go directly to the school to buy equipment, purchase supplies and fund educational outings.

Fait agreed to allow parking on the meadow one final time. In doing so, he noted the school had been told a year earlier that meadow parking no longer would be allowed because of Park Department plans to allow it to return to its native state.

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TROWEL & HOE

BY MARK EATON

A most spectacular sight this time of year are the mature specimens of our California native large shrubs from the genus *Fremontodendron*. The common name is 'Flannel Bush,' presumably because the somewhat olive green leaves remind one of that cotton material.

The spectacular sight we speak of is not the leaves, but the incredible flower show which reaches its height in mid-spring. Near the mouth of the Valley on Carmel Valley Road, on Rio Road in front of the mission and at the intersection of Carpenter Street at Highway 1 are three locations where these large shrubs are blooming with hundreds of three-to-four-inch wide golden yellow flowers.

FREMONTIA, Fremontodendron californicum.

The first white man to discover these shrubs was Gen. John C. Fremont, in 1946. Many species of plants were named for him, but only this genus. *Fremontodendron californicum* is native to the hot, dry chaparral areas throughout much of the state. The larger plants you see blooming in the aforementioned areas are hybrids, crosses made from *F. californicum* and *F. mexicanum,* which is shorter in stature but having a longer bloom season. The hybrids were produced at the Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden in Southern California.

They are 'California Glory,' 'Pacific Sunset,' and 'San Gabriel.' They are similar in overall appearance, being on the borderline between shrubs and trees. They grow fairly quickly to 15 to 20 feet high and wide and are not for the small garden. Though mid-spring is the height of bloom, these hybrids will continue to flower as long as they are pushing growth. With deep water supply, this can extend the bloom season well into summer, and plants can repeat bloom in the fall. 'California Glory' is the better known of the three, but it is difficult to distinguish. 'Pacific Sunset' has flowers that are faintly orange, supposedly larger. 'San Gabriel' has flowers like 'California Glory,' leaves are slightly more lobed. 'Pacific Sunset' is reputedly the most disease resistant of the three.

There are some specimens of lower growing types in front of the mission known as *F. decumbens*. These are handsome plants, but are extremely difficult to propagate and are rarely available. There is a lower growing hybrid variety which is becoming regularly available in the nursery trade. 'Ken Taylor' grows to about four feet high and six to eight feet wide with a horizontal to 'semi-drooping' habit. The flowers are cupped, golden with dark orange backing on some of the segments. The parents of this hybrid are *F. decumbens* and 'F. California Glory.'

All require good drainage, as their roots are easily attacked by fungus diseases which thrive in damp, close conditions. Once established watering should be only occasional, once a month in summer but deep. Established plants will tolerate complete summer drought but with a shortened bloom season. Fertilizing should be minimal. Sun most of the day is required for good growth and bloom. They will *not* tolerate watering from law sprinklers on a regular basis. This is a sure killer.

Fremontodendrons are usually available in five gallon cans and they are not cheap. Though quite tough once established, they are extremely difficult to raise as a nursery crop with a high percentage of plant loss. Many gardeners would prefer to start with one gallon cans but they are rarely available; the high mortality rate of young plants puts a financial strain on the grower—there's not enough money in one-gallon can size plants to offset the losses.

When handling Fremontodendrons some people experience a skin irritation—nothing like poison oak but be careful nonetheless.

The old botanical name was *Fremontia,* and is the title of the magazine published by the California Native Plant Society for its members. A fitting tribute to one of the jewels of our native flora.

CALIFORNIA POPPY, *Eschscholzia Californica,* is the state flower. This native plant is excellent for naturalizing on sunny hills or in dry fields. In gardens, dead blossoms need to be trimmed or the plant will go to seed. Leaves are blue, green and feathery. Single flowers can range from pale yellow to deep orange and grow on stems 8 to 24 inches long. Broadcast the seeds in the fall for spring and summer flowers. *Sun photo by Isabelle Hall*

Wildflower Show Starts Friday in PG

The oldest show of its kind on the Pacific Coast, the annual Monterey County Wildflower Show will be held at the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

A crew of volunteers from the Monterey Bay Chapter of the California Native Plant Society spent much of the week collecting and cataloguing this year's display. Although periods of heavy rain and cold weather have delayed flowering this year, it should be at its peak in the next few weeks.

In past years, the show has assembled over 600 species of wildflowers, all grouped by families which are arranged more or less from the most primitive to the most advanced.

The groupings make it possible to see clearly the differences between similar species in the same genus or between related genera.

For example, the sky lupine (*Lupinus nanus*) and the succulent annual lupine (*Lupinus succulentus*) can easily be distinguished by their different color and growth habit. They will be grouped with other lupines next to related genera in the pea family. Both common and botanical names are given on accompanying labels along with page references in Munz's *California Flora* for those wishing more detailed information.

Because of its size, location, soils, climate, and topography Monterey County has one of the most diverse floras in the state, numbering some 125 families with over 2000 species and subspecies. Many species reach their northern or southern limits here. The show is designed to provide identification for most of the showier spring-blooming plants that are found in the county.

Monterey County also has one of the largest numbers of rare and endangered plants in the state. All of these plants which are included in the show are grown especially for the event and are not taken from the wild.

There is no admission charge to the show, but donations are requested. The museum is located at Forest and Central Avenues in Pacific Grove.

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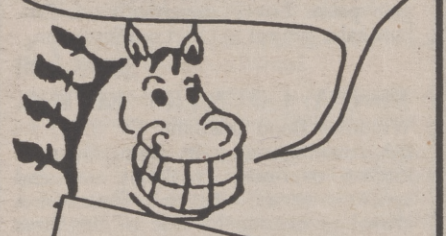

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REAL ESTATE OUTLOOK

First Quarter Report

Real Estate Market Is Plodding Along

By Paul Brocchini
Broker Associate, Prestige Properties

As with the national economy, nothing dramatic has happened in the real estate market here during the first quarter. The number of sales, as shown in Sales by Quarter, was the lowest of the past five quarters and 19 below the number of sales recorded during the first quarter of 1992.

The Market Barometer, on the other hand, showed that activity was up in seven of the markets surveyed and down in only two. The only markets that showed a *strong* upward trend, however, were Pacific Grove and the Monterey/Salinas Highway. The other five had marginal upward movement. This higher overall ratio of escrows to listings should translate into higher sales in the second quarter.

Median selling prices were all over the map. Carmel, Carmel Valley and Seaside saw healthy increases while four markets were down and one, Marina, was essentially unchanged.

The most negative reading is the overall number of recordings, reflecting all sales including lots, commercial properties and condominiums, as illustrated in the Recordings Chart provided by First American Title Company. During the four-months surveyed, total recordings were down a hefty 45.1%. All markets surveyed were down.

Since the real estate market started to weaken in 1990, there have been several temporary spurts of activity that seemed to augur stronger demand. The fourth quarter of 1992 had that feel with 205 sales in the quarter and an improved market barometer. The promise of the fourth quarter did not blossom in the first quarter of 1993.

We are doing business, but it remains a buyers' market.

Sales By Quarter
5 Quarter Review

Town	1st Qtr 1992	2nd Qtr 1992	3rd Qtr. 1992	4th Qtr 1992	1st Qtr 1993
Carmel	31	47	33	38	41
Carmel Valley	22	35	19	26	14
Marina	18	24	28	25	12
Monterey	26	30	32	19	23
Pacific Grove	29	30	37	34	17
Pebble Beach	12	17	24	19	14
Salinas Hwy	21	44	32	20	23
Seaside	21	32	28	19	17
South Coast	3	5	6	5	3
Total	183	264	239	205	164

Median Sales Price Comparisons

Town	Full Year 1992	1st Quarter 1993
Carmel	$440,000	$495,000
Carmel Valley	$380,000	$437,500
Marina	$169,500	$168,500
Monterey	$257,750	$225,000
Pacific Grove	$270,500	$250,000
Pebble Beach	$540,000	$459,300
Salinas Highway	$315,500	$302,000
Seaside	$137,500	$157,500
South Coast	$575,000	$700,000

Recordings—Four Month Comparative Analysis
Includes all Grant Deeds for Residential and Comercial Properties and Vacant Lots

Town	Nov.-Feb. 1991/92 Totals	Nov.-Feb. 1992/93 Totals	Dif.	% Dif.
Carmel*	203	145	-58	-28.6%
Marina	90	48	-42	-46.7%
Monterey/D.R.Oaks	172	78	-94	-54.7%
Pacific Grove**	139	59	-80	-57.6%
Pebble Beach	64	31	-33	-51.6%
Salinas Highway	76	45	-31	-40.8%
Seaside	127	72	-55	-43.4%
Total	871	478	-393	-45.1%

* Carmel figures include Carmel Valley and Carmel Highlands
**Pacific Grove numbers distorted by large number of transactions in 1991 at the Pacific Grove Plaza complex.

Listing & Sales Data - First Quarter 1993*

Town	Avg. Listing Price 4/1/93	Avg. Market Time 4/1/93	Dif. Last Rpt.	Avg. Mkt. Time Solds (6 mos.)	Dif. Last Rpt.	% Exp. (6 mos.)
Carmel	$656,901	159	-47	189	+18	44%
Carmel Valley	659,265	147	-9	171	+3	44%
Marina	179,624	142	-19	150	+32	28%
Monterey	391,061	150	-6	174	+36	38%
Pacific Grove	335,810	129	-19	151	-12	32%
Pebble Beach	1,228,171	190	-23	200	-13	45%
Salinas Hwy	537,464	142	-21	188	-6	36%
Seaside	157,291	121	-16	132	-6	45%
South Coast	1,456,040	182	-20	236	+63	36%

*Multiple Listing Service numbers only.

The charts are based in whole or in part on data supplied by the Carmel Association of Realtors' Multiple Listing Service (MLS). Neither the Association nor its MLS guarantees or is responsible for their accuracy. Data maintained by the Association or its MLS may not reflect all real estate activity in the market.

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Real Estate Market Barometer
Five—Quarter Review
(Hottest to Coolest Market in First Quarter in Descending Order)

Town	Date	In Escrow vs/Listings	Percent
Marina	4/1/93	24/87	*27.58*
	1/2/93	26/77	26.66
	10/3/92	29/90	32.22
	7/3/92	19/103	18.45
	4/1/92	27/74	36.49
Pacific Grove	4/1/93	27/123	*21.95*
	1/2/93	13/102	12.74
	10/3/92	20/125	16.00
	7/3/92	18/141	12.77
	4/1/92	20/147	13.61
Salinas Hwy	4/1/93	27/147	*18.36*
	1/2/93	16/132	12.12
	10/3/92	19/152	12.50
	7/3/92	20/144	13.89
	4/1/92	34/157	21.66
Seaside	4/1/93	32/183	*17.48*
	1/2/93	22/133	16.54
	10/3/92	21/147	14.29
	7/3/92	20/150	13.33
	4/1/92	31/149	20.81
Monterey	4/1/93	21/124	*16.93*
	1/2/93	17/103	16.50
	10/3/92	17/128	13.28
	7/3/92	23/146	15.75
	4/1/92	20/141	14.18
Carmel	4/1/93	35/230	*15.21*
	1/2/93	21/185	11.35
	10/3/92	28/264	10.61
	7/3/92	28/286	9.79
	4/1/92	25/270	9.26
South Coast	4/1/93	7/52	*13.46*
	1/2/93	6/43	13.95
	10/3/92	4/48	8.33
	7/3/92	3/55	5.45
	4/1/92	3/41	7.31
Pebble Beach	4/1/93	13/130	*10.00*
	1/2/93	11/112	9.82
	10/3/92	17/141	12.06
	7/3/92	13/160	8.13
	4/1/92	11/151	7.28
Carmel Valley	4/1/93	16/161	*9.93*
	1/2/93	16/138	11.59
	10/3/92	13/154	8.44
	7/3/92	15/148	10.14
	4/1/92	20/144	13.89

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The following property sales were recorded in the office of the Monterey County Recorder from March 29 through April 4, 1993. The information is taken from records available to the public. Sale prices are estimated on the basis of transfer tax paid to the county. The *Sun* makes every effort to report these sales accurately, but anyone should consult a Realtor or other investment professional before taking action based on this information.

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HIGHWAY ONE. Harry G. Parashis to Roy C. Rose, $1,100,000.

FLANDERS WAY. Donald B. and Mary L. Pringle to Joan B. Buchanan, $325,000.

LOPEZ AND 2ND. Richard M. and Gwendolyn B. Rohr to Stephen S. and Sally M. Harper, $565,000.

2 N/E CARMELO/13TH AVENUE. Carmelo and 13th Partnership to Katherine M. Gray, $1,000,000.

LINCOLN STREET. Warren B. and Cheri G. Eads to Robert J. and Christy A. Lyman, $522,500.

DOLORES STREET. Arnold L. and Gloria C. Abrott to John O. and Despina Swendseid, $270,000.

7TH AVENUE. Donald G. and Lauretta Colebourn to Cheryl L. Smith, $435,000.

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24450 S. SAN LUIS AVENUE. Timothy K. and Lynn Allen to Ray N. and Kathryn M. Miller, $595,000.

9803 CLUB PLACE LANE. James J. and Mary M. Debartolo to Norman and Barbara Pressley, $335,000.

9906 CLUB PLACE LANE. Ann K. Luster to Bo Huang, $340,000.

Carmel Valley

227 PUNTA DEL MONTE. Roger L. and Annette M. Pellett to Jerry Clark, $255,000.

25410 VIA MARIQUITA. James and Sheila Nielsen to Ronald M. and Martha E. Cardamone, $427,500.

Pebble Beach

17 SEVENTEEN MILE DRIVE. Richard H. Lundquist to Randolph G. and Carliss Y. Baldwin, $1,330,000.

Setting It Straight

Information contained in a listing of April 8 was incorrect. It should have read:
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by John Saar, Broker

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Carmel Gives Police High Marks

A survey of about half of the population of Carmel found that residents give the Police Department high marks for performance.

The survey, done independently by Det. Sgt. Pete Poitras, showed that of the 431 persons who responded, 60.7 percent rated the department at the highest level of performance, 31 percent said it was above average, 5.8 percent gave it a satisfactory rate and 1.4 percent a low rating. Only .5 percent said the overall service was poor.

"Thus, 364 (91.7%) of the respondents rated the department's overall service as above average or highly staisfactory. This leaves little doubt that the citizens of Carmel-by-the-Sea are, in fact, quite satisfied with the overall quality of service provided to them by the Police Department," he said.

Poitras said he did the survey as part of his requirements to graduate from the Union Institute. He asked 2,100 residents to rate each of the department's 13 individual services on a scale of one to five with five the highest level.

Politras said the response rate of just over 20.5 percent was "a statistically significant return for a survey of this type which suggests that a high level of public interest exists regarding the services provided by the police department.

"The results reveal that the public's perception of the overall service provided by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department is exceptionally high. Less than 9 percent (34) of the responses received did not include an overall rating."

Poitras listed several pages of individual comments from respondents both pro and con.

"Best little department in the U.S.A." said one admiring citizen. "I feel the attitude of the Carmel Police Department is atrocious and needs an attitude adjustment," said a critical respondent.

Carmel's Doreen Evans Wins Hoop Scholarship

Doreen Evans, a 6-1 Carmel High School senior, plans to sign this week to play basketball for Washington State University which has offered her a full, four-year scholarship.

Evans started on the varsity team at center or forward her junior and senior years after playing junior varsity as a sophomore.

Daughter of Cindy and Roy Evans of Salinas, Evans started playing basketball her freshman year at the Berlin American School in Germany in where her father was stationed with the Army.

"I was really tall," she said, recalling she was 5-10 then. "People just asked me to play, and I liked it."

Several schools recruited her, she said, but when the Cougars offered her a full scholarship she had no trouble making a decision.

She singled out Carmel's league victory this year over King City as the highlight of her high school career. "We beat them bad—by 21 points," she recalled. "They have won the league for the past nine years, and Carmel has never beaten King City during the five years Leigh White has coached the Carmel girls team."

Evans said she is considering a major in communications, anthropology or sociology at Washington State.

Carmel Valley Garden Tour Set for May 2

The Carmel Valley Garden Association will host a garden walk on May 2 from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. Gardens open to the public include Chateau Julian's small vineyard and flower garden, Joyce and Carl Stewart's Tierra Grande garden which features native plants and many old roses and Virginia Stanton's riverside garden on Scarlett Road.

Jerry Foote's garden on Miramonte Road has drought resistant plantings, and Ginnie Ann and Chuck Bosso's garden on Via Milpitas demonstrates how edible herbs, flowers and fruit trees can mingle attractively. Dorothy McEwen has restored the gardens at the historic Holman Ranch, and refreshments will be served at the ranch and at the winery. Marj and Bob Hunsicker's garden on Via La Gitana also will be open. It features an innovative water storage system.

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Committee Mulls Carmel School Facility Priorities

By Carolyn Rice

After Carmel High was told it must install a firewall, the cost of the project jumped from $20,000 to $80,000 because it would also have to remodel bathrooms to make them handicapped accessible, Superintendent Vance Baldwin said Tuesday.

He cited the case as an example of the pressure the school district is under in trying to maintain its facilities and enlarge elementary school capacity to handle overcrowding.

Baldwin spoke at the second meeting of a newly formed schools facilities committee made up of more than 50 persons representing a broad spectrum of the community.

A consultant hired by the school district told the group that schools are lined up and waiting for state money to improve or build new buildings. One state fund had $100 million available for 1992 and received $5 billion in applications, said Robert Corley, a Ventura school facilities consultant who is being paid $85 an hour.

"It's a long and agonizing process," he said. "You have the kids today, and you get the funds in four years."

The committee will recommend how to solve overcrowding in the district's three elementary schools and which maintenance needs should be undertaken first throughout the system.

"Your district is better off than most every other school district in the state," Corley told the committee. "I've spent four days in your schools. Your schools are some of the nicest I've been in."

Corley said Carmel schools built in the 40s, 50s and 60s have structural needs just because of their age, but the staff has done a good job of keeping them up.

The laundry list presented by the district staff includes interior and exterior painting, roofing, paving, lighting, drapes, carpet, replacement of lockers, resurfacing tennis courts, replacing water and gas lines, restoration of play fields and a new gym floor at Carmel Middle School.

Gerry Steinberg from Enshallah, a San Jose company hired by the district last year at a cost of $8,000, reported on her investigation into selling River School and building a new elementary school at Carmel Middle School acreage.

She said she did not feel the problems would be insurmountable and estimated the property might be worth $6 million. Her company could develop lots for single family detached homes or it could be sold as is, she said. She suggested nearby Mission Ranch might have an interest in purchasing the 9.5 acres of which five are in wetlands or the flood plain.

Ernie Lostrom, a committee member, asked her if there wasn't an inherent conflict of interest in her doing the research and then placing the property for sale since her company is in the development business. "This has been talked about in the community," he said.

"We have nothing to gain," Steinberg said. But she then went on to say if the district approved another phase of its contract with Enshallah, it specifies a 3 percent commission charge for marketing the property.

Steinberg said her company had been through the process with 20 to 30 schools. "We come up with creative ways to sell property," she said.

Baldwin said the property next to middle school which would be used for a new elementary school has reverted back to the district, the man who leased it for a Christmas tree farm giving it up. "As of last Thursday, we found we are in the Christmas tree business," he said.

A Scarlett Road site owned by the school district has been leased for $13,000 a year as a tree nursery, but Baldwin said the person has given notice he will move this summer.

The district bought three Carmel Valley sites in 1961 in anticipation of increased school enrollment and the need to build additional schools. It pays an annual non-use fee to the state of $16,969 for the sites under a provision designed to discourage districts from owning land it doesn't use.

Undeveloped school site committees in 1980, 1988 and 1990 recommended sale or lease of the 20-acre Scarlett Road property, 10 acres on Holt Road and 9 acres on the so-called Metz property a half mile east of Carmel Valley Village.

Baldwin said many government rules complicate district decisions, citing the money spent removing asbestos. "A lot of people think it's a real mistake," he said. "Other people were on my case every day." The district also is subject to rules regarding lead paint, lead in water and underground fuel storage tanks, he said.

What might look like a little thing often turns out to be expensive, he said. For instance, the Carmel High baseball field fence is falling down to the point it is a hazard. "The quote was $9,000."

The state fire marshall said the high school needs a new fire wall installed in the main hall. Baldwin said the cost jumped from $20,000 to $80,000 because the school also will be required at the same time to remodel the restrooms so they meet the federal disabilities act.

Corley suggested the Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act might be used to finance improvements. For instance, he said it would be possible for the Captain Cooper neighborhood in Big Sur to vote on a multi-purpose room which could also be used as a community room.

CARMEL VALLEY LITTLE LEAGUE swings into regular season action Saturday, with opening day ceremonies set for around noon. Jud Richards, a left-handed pitcher for the Cougars, is a possible opening day starter when his club takes on the Falcons. He is shown here pitching in a pre-season game Saturday at the Little League Field. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

Leaving "Ducks on the Pond," Carmel Falls to Chieftains; Breakers Are Next

The Carmel Padres are having trouble stringing hits together when they need them, baseball coach Duke Quinones said after a 4-1 loss to Palma Tuesday night.

Now 8-5-1 overall and 2-2-1 in Mission Trail Athletic League play the Padres will travel to Pacific Grove Friday for a 4 p.m. game.

Pacific Grove remains unbeaten in league play, and the game will give Carmel a chance to get even with the Breakers. PG whomped the Padres 12-4 in the championship game of the Carmel Classic Tournament April 7.

Pacific Grove hit four home runs in that game, and southpaw Patrick Calhoun hurled a seven-hitter in going the distance. The loss was an abrupt jolt to Carmel which had moved into the championship contest of its own tourney by beating Menlo 6-4 and Porterville 4-3.

"We'll have to play a smart game," Quinones said of the Padres' next outing against PG, noting the Breakers have only lost one pre-league game this season.

Joey Bernhard pitched against Palma, giving up what proved to be the winner, a two-run shot over dead center by Tom Nunes. Nunes had staked the Chieftains to a 1-0 edge in the first, scoring after he singled.

Carmel's only run came when Palma pitcher Ronnie Soratos walked Dylan Coleman, who stole second and scored on Jason Edward's line single to center.

Quinones blamed the loss mainly on the lack of timely hitting, noting that nine or ten Padres were left on base during the game. Seven of them were stranded in scoring position.

Two Young Bobcats Released to Wild

Nursed back to health with four months of care at the SPCA, two young bobcats were released into the wilds of Cachagua Friday.

One of the young cats was taken to the center when it weighed only 3 pounds 9 ounces. The second was found comatose in Palo Colorado Canyon. Both were heavily infested with parasites, workers said.

The SPCA noted a pending state senate bill would make it unlawful to kill, injure, possess, transport, import or sell a bobcat. It said the bill was necessary to protect the species, noting that 3,455 were killed in the state in 1989 and 1990.

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APRIL 16 • 17 • 18 • SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, April 16

Wood Shaft Golf Tournament ..... P.G. Golf Links

Saturday, April 17

7:30 a.m. ..... Police Officers Inspection (B of A)
8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. ..... Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast (Jewell Park)
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. ..... Arts & Crafts Faire
10:00 a.m. ..... Parade- Pine Avenue (Btwn Granite & Fountain)
11:00 a.m. ..... Quilt Show (Chautaugua Hall)
12 Noon ..... Police Motorcycle Officers Riding Competition (Pine Avenue)
12 Noon - 1:30 p.m. ... Professor Gordon's "Ragtime Theater" (Robt. Down School Auditorium)
1:00 p.m. ..... A Tale of Two Cities (Elmarie Dyke open space)
1:00 p.m. ..... Robt. Down Chorus (Downtown)
1:30 p.m. ..... Pie Eating Contest (Downtown)
2:30 p.m. ..... Victorian Fashion Show (Downtown)
2:30 p.m. ..... Police Officers Pie Eating Contest (Downtown)
3:00 p.m. ..... Motorcycle Competition Awards Ceremony (Downtown)
3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. ..... "Ragtime Theater" (Robt. Down Auditorium)
5:30 to Midnight ..... "Good Times Party" No-Host Cocktails, Dinner & Dancing (Wharf II) Hosted by PGHS Breaker Club

Sunday, April 18

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. ..... Arts & Crafts Faire (Downtown)
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. ..... Quilt Show (Chautaugua Hall)
12:00 Noon - 1:30 p.m. .... Professor Gordon's "Ragtime Theater" (Robt. Down Auditorium)
1:00 p.m. ..... A Tale of Two Cities (Elmarie Dyke open space)
2:30 p.m. ..... Jaws of Life Demonstration by PG Fire Dept. (Downtown)
3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. ..... "Ragtime Theater" (Robt. Down Auditorium)
3:30 p.m. ..... Calif. 1st Theater "Troupers of the Gold Coast" (Downtown)

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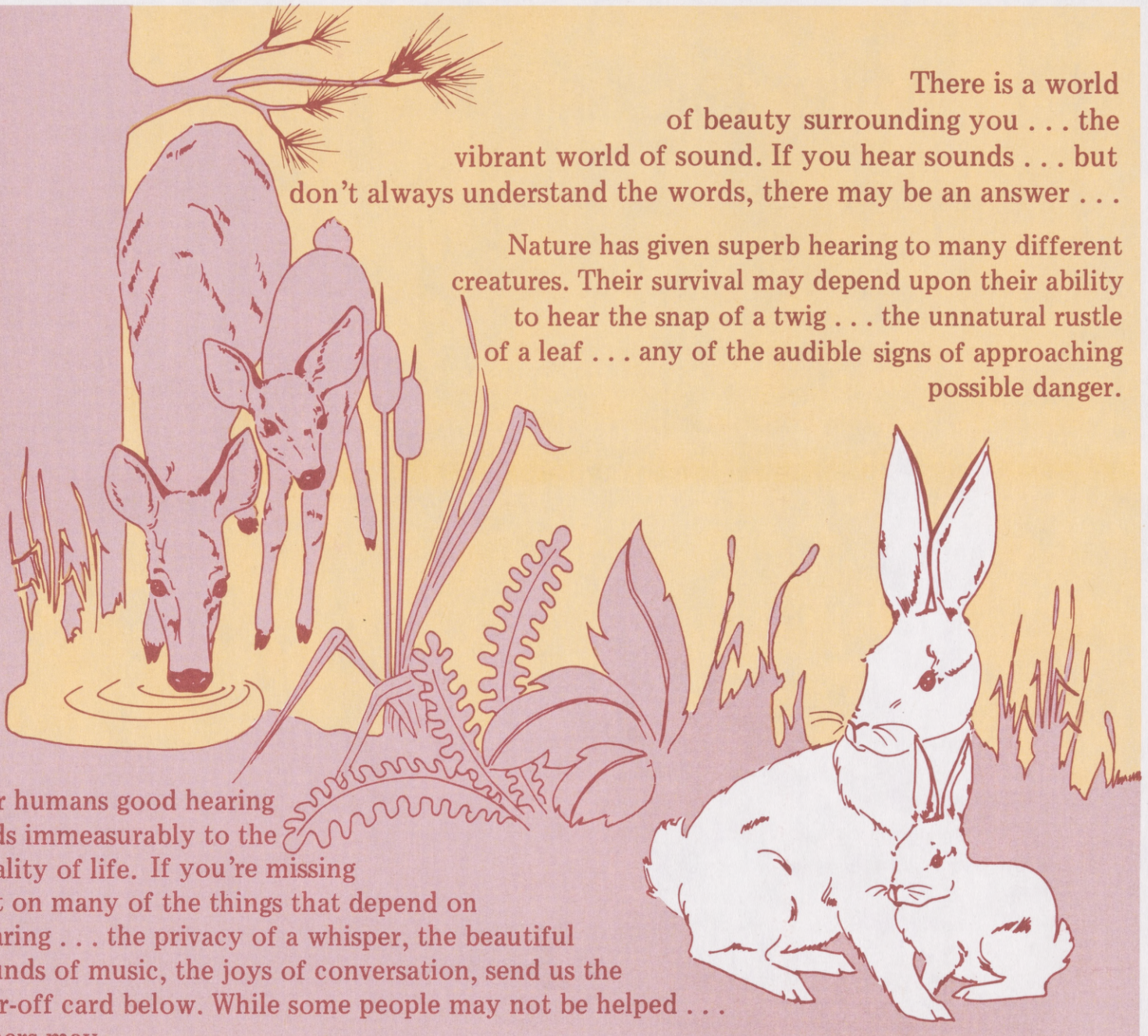

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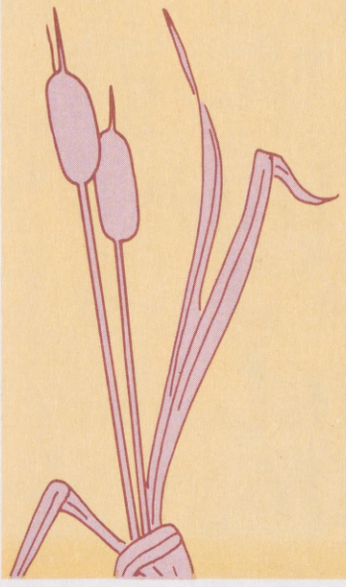

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